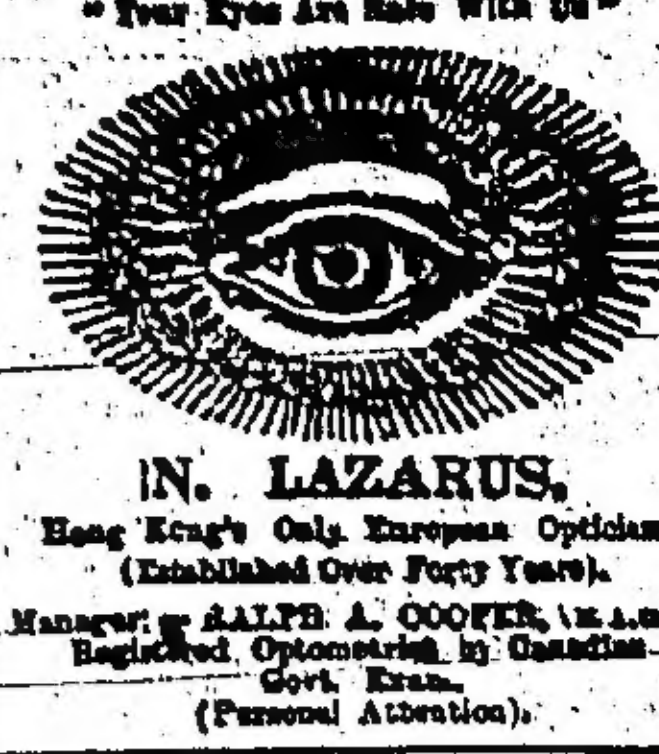


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| UP TRAINS | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| STATIONS | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 | No. 7 | No. 8 | No. 9 | No. 10 | No. 11 |
| Kowloon Dep. | 6.40 | 8.05 | 8.30 | 9.05 | 10.00 | 10.30 | 11.05 | 11.35 | 12.05 | 12.35 | 1.05 |
| Yau Ma Tei Dep. | 6.48 | 8.13 | 8.38 | 9.13 | 10.08 | 10.38 | 11.13 | 11.43 | 12.13 | 12.43 | 1.13 |
| Shatin Dep. | 7.01 | 8.26 | 8.51 | 9.26 | 10.21 | 10.51 | 11.26 | 11.56 | 12.26 | 12.56 | 1.26 |
| Tai Po Dep. | 7.15 | 8.40 | 9.05 | 9.40 | 10.35 | 11.05 | 11.40 | 12.10 | 12.40 | 1.10 | 1.40 |
| Matei Dep. | 7.20 | 8.45 | 9.10 | 9.45 | 10.40 | 11.10 | 11.45 | 12.15 | 12.45 | 1.15 | 1.45 |
| Fanning Dep. | 7.30 | 8.55 | 9.20 | 9.55 | 10.50 | 11.20 | 11.55 | 12.25 | 12.55 | 1.25 | 1.55 |
| Shau Kei Dep. | 7.35 | 9.00 | 9.25 | 10.00 | 10.55 | 11.25 | 12.00 | 12.30 | 13.00 | 1.30 | 2.00 |
| Shau Shan Dep. | 7.41 | 9.06 | 9.31 | 10.06 | 11.01 | 11.31 | 12.06 | 12.36 | 13.06 | 1.36 | 2.06 |
| Canton Arr. | 12.05 | 1.30 | 1.55 | 2.30 | 3.25 | 3.55 | 4.30 | 5.05 | 5.35 | 6.10 | 6.40 |

| DOWN TRAINS | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| STATIONS | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 | No. 7 | No. 8 | No. 9 | No. 10 | No. 11 |
| Canton Dep. | 8.10 | 9.35 | 10.00 | 10.35 | 11.30 | 12.00 | 12.30 | 1.00 | 1.30 | 2.00 | 2.30 |
| Shau Shan Dep. | 8.15 | 9.40 | 10.05 | 10.40 | 11.35 | 12.05 | 12.35 | 1.05 | 1.35 | 2.05 | 2.35 |
| Shau Kei Dep. | 8.20 | 9.45 | 10.10 | 10.45 | 11.40 | 12.10 | 12.40 | 1.10 | 1.40 | 2.10 | 2.40 |
| Tai Po Dep. | 8.30 | 9.55 | 10.20 | 10.55 | 11.50 | 12.20 | 12.50 | 1.20 | 1.50 | 2.20 | 2.50 |
| Shatin Dep. | 8.40 | 10.05 | 10.30 | 11.05 | 12.00 | 12.30 | 1.00 | 1.30 | 2.00 | 2.30 | 3.00 |
| Fanning Dep. | 8.50 | 10.15 | 10.40 | 11.15 | 12.10 | 12.40 | 1.10 | 1.40 | 2.10 | 2.40 | 3.10 |
| Matei Dep. | 9.00 | 10.25 | 10.50 | 11.25 | 12.20 | 12.50 | 1.20 | 1.50 | 2.20 | 2.50 | 3.20 |
| Yau Ma Tei Dep. | 9.05 | 10.30 | 10.55 | 11.30 | 12.25 | 12.55 | 1.25 | 1.55 | 2.25 | 2.55 | 3.25 |
| Kowloon Arr. | 12.05 | 1.30 | 1.55 | 2.30 | 3.25 | 3.55 | 4.30 | 5.05 | 5.35 | 6.10 | 6.40 |

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"ENTICED" WIFE ALLEGATION.

APPEAL DISMISSED.

JUDGE AND HUSBAND'S JEALOUSY.

The case in which a Major alleged that a brother officer had enticed his wife came before the Court of Appeal.

The action was brought by Major Ritchie Langstaffe Capel-Smith, formerly of the Royal Army Service Corps, against Major Bernard A. S. Dyer, of the same corps, for damages for alleged unlawfully enticing and procuring his wife, Mrs. Mildred Capel-Smith, to leave his home. Major Dyer denied the allegations.

After four days' hearing before Mr. Justice Swift and a special jury, the jury stopped the case and returned a verdict for Major Dyer, for whom judgment was entered. Major Capel-Smith now appealed.

Mr. Valetta appeared for Major Capel-Smith, and Mr. Malcolm Hilbery, K.C., for Major Dyer. Mr. Valetta said that the action was brought by an officer against his senior officer, his allegation being that for nine months before his departure for India in September, 1928, Major Dyer had succeeded by his conduct in inducing Mrs. Capel-Smith to leave him.

At the trial Major Capel-Smith said that he was perfectly happy with his wife until Major Dyer came between them. Major Dyer, as well as being his senior officer, was his friend, and with his mission to India. Major Capel-Smith, who did not dance, had no suspicion of anything wrong until he found his wife and Major Dyer together in a car in the garage with the lights out. He tackled Major Dyer about this, and Major Dyer said: "I am sorry. Why haven't you mentioned this before? It may be that I have been seeing too much of your wife and perhaps unsettling her."

"Disliked Him For Years."

Major Capel-Smith afterwards spoke to his wife; there was a scene, and she said that there was nothing in it. Matters went smoothly between them until Major Capel-Smith had to go to India on military service. His evidence was that his wife promised faithfully that she would not see Major Dyer after he (Major Capel-Smith) had left the country. Major Capel-Smith was infatuated with his wife, and while he was in India he wrote letters to her which would nauseate the Court. They were, however, only letters of intense affection. He received replies from his wife couched in affectionate terms, and his explanation of these when she went into the witness-box was that they were intended to deceive her husband into the belief that she loved him. In fact, she said that she had disliked him for years. It was during her evidence that the jury stopped the case, and Mr. Valetta said that he hoped to satisfy the Court that the trial was not satisfactory.

His contention was that the Judge misdirected the jury in that he failed to direct them that the real and only issue was whether or not Major Dyer wrongfully enticed and procured Mrs. Capel-Smith to leave her husband. The Judge invited the jury to consider whether Mrs. Capel-Smith needed enticing, and thereby caused the jury to consider matters wholly irrelevant to the real issue. The Judge, said Mr. Valetta, apparently became impressed by her evidence when she said that she was tired of her husband and intended to leave him, and that she needed no enticement.

"Jealous And Nervous."

Without calling on counsel for Major Dyer the Court dismissed the appeal. Lord Justice Scrutton said the case was a very unusual one. Whether the wife had committed adultery or not was not the question. The question was did she leave her husband because Major Dyer enticed and persuaded her to do so, or did she leave of her own accord?

The husband was a very excitable, jealous, and nervous man, and his physical weakness was not made any better by his war service. The jury had evidence of his frantic jealousy and his passionate devotion to his wife. He was obviously a very difficult man to live with. The jury had an ample opportunity of seeing the sort of man he was. They heard some of his outbursts, which even in the short-handled notes looked very remarkable, and it was quite open to them to come to the conclusion that, like Mr. Carlyle, he was "a very ill to live with."

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BANKRUPTCY COURT STATEMENT.

Mr. John Cornelius Bell, plastic surgeon, of Wigmore Street, London, appeared before Mr. Registrar Warrington at the London Bankruptcy Court for his public examination. Mr. Bell was the defendant in a breach of promise suit brought in the King's Bench Division by Miss Christian Clara Vernon, formerly his secretary, who was awarded £1,000 damages.

Mr. Bell has filed a statement of affairs showing liabilities of £3,515 and no assets.

In reply to Mr. Ferrars Vyvyan, the Assistant Receiver, Mr. Bell stated that he was a German national and his name until 1914, when he changed it, by deed poll, was Johann Cornelius Glockerier. In 1901 he became a qualified dentist in Germany, and when he came to England in 1903 he obtained employment in a similar capacity.

He first began to practice on his own account in 1905 in Rosebery Gardens, Crouch End, and he agreed to sell this practice in 1907 for £200, of which he only received £50. From October, 1919, until June, 1921, he was working on a connection and in the latter year he agreed to take over the management of a plastic surgeon's business on a half-profit basis.

Losses In Litigation.
Having been dismissed for alleged breach of agreement in November, 1926, he brought an action for wrongful dismissal against his late employer, who counter-claimed for breach of agreement, and in June, 1927, the action was settled out of court, on terms that he should pay his late employer £2,000.

From November, 1926, he practised on his own account as a plastic surgeon at Wigmore Street until last May, when £1,000 damages for breach of promise of marriage were awarded against him in an action in which the total costs amounted to £250. His credit with his advertising firms was stopped, and he then formed John C. Bell, Limited, with a nominal capital of £1,000 to take over the practice, in which he had since acted as an employee at a salary of £2 per week. He attributed his failure to the stoppage of credit consequent on the action.

Mr. Vyvyan asked Mr. Bell what plastic surgery was. "Facial improvement," was the reply.

Mr. Vyvyan: For women, I suppose?—Yes.

Mr. Leslie Lea (for one of the creditors): Have you been in the habit of doing anything for less than fifty guineas?—Oh, yes, considerably.

On the other hand, you received anything up to three hundred guineas?—I have never had over two hundred guineas.

The public examination was concluded.

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DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.
(December 8th.)

Annual General Meeting, Helena May Institute, noon.
Women's Guild: Union Church, Kowloon, Sale of Work, 2 p.m.
Cricket:—Division I.: Chinese v. Indians (L), Craigie v. Navy (L), Kowloon v. Hong Kong C.C. (F), Division II.: Indians v. Recreation (L), Navy v. Craigie v. Navy (L), Navy v. Royal Ensign (L), Police v. Hong Kong Electric (L), University v. Kowloon (F), Hong Kong C.C. v. Diocesan Boys' School (F).

Football:—First Division: K.O.S.B. v. Recreation, Chinese v. Police, Queen's v. Kowloon, Royal Artillery v. Club, Navy v. Small Units. Second Division: R.A.F. v. Queen's, University v. Royal Artillery, Navy v. Small Units, Chinese Athletic v. K.O.S.B., South China "B" v. Eastern, South China "A" v. St. Joseph's, Kowloon v. Recreation.

Craigie v. Cricket Club Dance, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Ramona."
World Theatre: "Safety Last."
Star Theatre: "Across the Pacific."
Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, King Edward Hotel, and St. Francis Hotel, 8 p.m.
Principal Mails:—Outward Europe via Marseilles (Malwa), 10.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Liang Chow), 8 p.m.

Sunday.
(December 9th.)

Golf: 1st and 2nd rounds of the championship, Fanning.
Fanning Hunt, meet at Lok Ma Chau, 10.30 a.m.
Yachting and Lawn Bowls Match: St. Andrew's v. St. George's, Royal H.K. Yacht Club.
Special Football Match: Bedd and Herts Reg. v. South China, Soekunpo, 3 p.m.
St. Vincent de Paul Fête.
Queen's Theatre: "Swim Girl Swim."
World Theatre: "Brown of Harvard."
Star Theatre: "Behind the Front."

Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Andes Mera), 10.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Liang Chow), 8 p.m.

Monday.
(December 10th.)

Sale of Crown Land New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1190, 3 p.m.
Hockey: Y.M.C.A. 1st XI. King's Park, 5 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Swim Girl Swim."
World Theatre: "Brown of Harvard."
Star Theatre: "Behind the Front."
Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.
Dinner Dance: St. Francis Hotel, 8 p.m.
Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Victoria, B.C. (President Cleveland), 5 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (President Cleveland), 6 p.m.

Tuesday.
(December 11th.)

Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.
Opening of Peninsular Hotel by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, 4.30 p.m.
Hockey: Y.M.C.A. v. Club Seconds, King's Park, 5 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The King of Kings."
World Theatre: "The Road to Romance."
Star Theatre: "Rough House Rosie."

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| 1 Pt. D.O.M. | 2 Qts. St. Julien Claret. |
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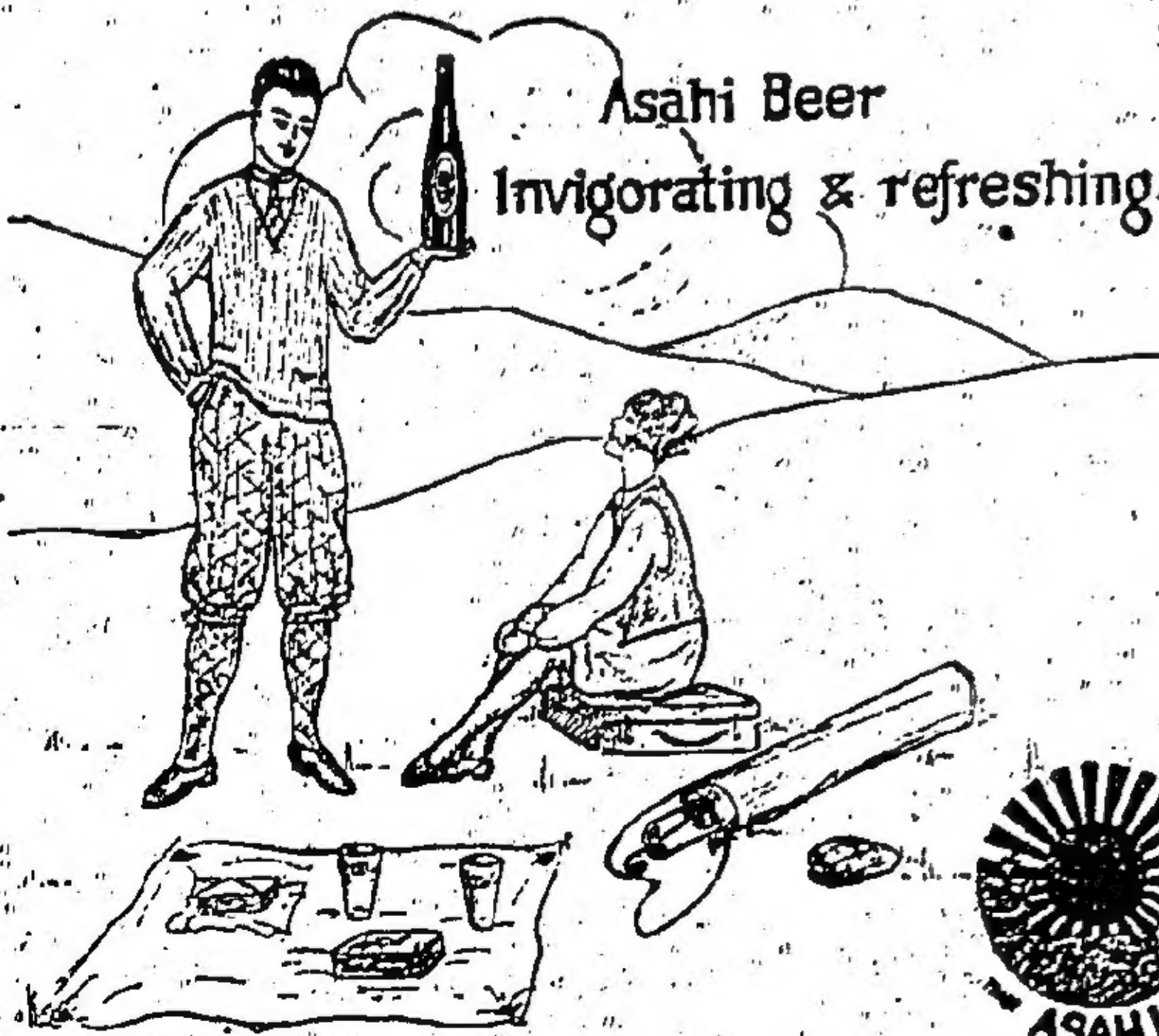
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HONG KONG BUSINESS.

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| Rice. | Per Picul. |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Red Sun, Blue Bag, White | |
| Long Rice, 114 bags | \$7.27 |
| Green Seal, White Brewer | |
| Rice, 89 bags | 5.81 |
| Red Seal, White Long Rice, | |
| 119 bags | 7.09 |
| Red Seal, White Long Rice, | |
| 134 bags | 7.01 |
| Elephant Brand White Long | |
| Rice, 610 bags | 7.09 |
| No. 1 Broken Rice, 300 bags | 5.38 |
| No. 2 Broken Rice, 100 bags | 4.00 |
| Black Dragon White Rice, | |
| 1,300 bags | 5.53 |
| Green Elephant White Rice, | |
| 200 bags | 8.27 |
| Black Fan White Glutinous | |
| Rice, 43 bags | 7.76 |
| Red Seal White Glutinous | |
| Rice, 311 bags | 7.42 |
| No. 1 White Broken Glutinous | |
| Rice, 188 bags | 6.90 |
| Green Seal Glutinous Brewer | |
| Rice, 300 bags | 6.79 |
| Green Seal Old White | |
| Broken Rice, 1,000 bags | 6.59 |
| Green Seal No. 1 White | |
| Broken Rice, 450 bags | 6.70 |
| Red Seal No. 2 White | |
| Broken Rice, 293 bags | 6.13 |
| Green Seal Glutinous Brand, | |
| 170 bags | 3.68 |

| Sugar. | Per Picul. |
|------------------------|------------|
| No. 19 Coarse powdered | |
| sugar, 1,000 bags | 6.73 |
| No. 20 Coarse powdered | |
| sugar, 1,000 bags | 6.50 |
| No. 24 Coarse powdered | |
| sugar, 1,176 bags | 7.23 |
| No. 26 Coarse powdered | |
| sugar, 1,500 bags | 7.23 |
| No. 18 Coarse powdered | |
| sugar, 500 bags | 6.70 |
| No. 18 Coarse powdered | |
| sugar, 1,100 bags | 6.73 |

THE RAW SILK MARKET.

QUOTATIONS IN FRANCE, U.S.A. AND CANTON.

Telegrams were received from France and New York on Thursday by the Canton Raw Silk Guild stating that the market for this commodity remains quiet. There had been no enquiries but prices remained firm.

The following are the quotations in the three respective markets:—

NEW YORK.

JAPAN RAW SILK.

| Extra Best Class | Per picul. |
|------------------|------------|
| Extra Class | \$1,351 |
| Extra Class | 1,316 |

ITALIAN SILK.

| Extra Class | Per picul. |
|-------------|------------|
| Extra Class | \$1,301 |

CHINESE.

| Three Dancing Girls Mark | Per picul. |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Raw Silk | \$1,342 |

KWANGTUNG RAW SILK.

| 14/15 Raw Silk | Per picul. |
|----------------|------------|
| 14/15 Raw Silk | \$1,295 |

FRANCE.

| 13/15 Raw Silk | Per picul. |
|----------------|------------|
| 13/15 Raw Silk | \$1,352 |

JAPANESE.

| 11/10 Silk | Per picul. |
|------------|------------|
| 11/10 Silk | \$1,675 |

CHINESE.

| 13/15 Silk | Per picul. |
|------------|------------|
| 13/15 Silk | 1,414 |

KWANGTUNG.

| 14/16 Silk | Per picul. |
|------------|------------|
| 14/16 Silk | \$1,127 |

CANTON QUOTATION.

| 13/16 Silk | Per picul. |
|------------|------------|
| 20/22 Silk | @ \$1,040 |
| | @ 993 |

COTTON YARNS.

CANTON CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

From a cable received from Shanghai by the Canton Cotton Yarn dealers, it was stated that another two tals per bale had been put on to No. 32 Fine Grade. Other brands remained the same. The closing quotations on Thursday were as follows:—

No. 42 Five Sons

| Double Horse | Per picul. |
|--------------|------------|
| Tin Koon | 534 |

No. 32 Pine Deer

| Double Horse | Per picul. |
|--------------|------------|
| Globe | 327 |

No. 30 Golden City

| Double Horse | Per picul. |
|--------------|------------|
| Tin Koon | 321 |

No. 28 Double Dragon

| Tram Car | Per picul. |
|----------|------------|
| Shepherd | 317 |

No. 18 Globe

| Three Stars | Per picul. |
|-------------|------------|
| Fui Kwai | 315 |

No. 13 Tram Car

| Aeroplane | Per picul. |
|-----------|------------|
| Peacock | 275 |

No. 10 Sailing Vessel

| Golden City | Per picul. |
|-------------|------------|
| Peacock | 265 |

Lotus

| Lotus | Per picul. |
|-------|------------|
| Lotus | 265 |

CANTON MARKET REPORTS.

Rice.

| Green Lion: White Rice | Per Picul. |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Three Marks: White Rice | \$10.02 |

No. 2 coarse powdered sugar

| No. 2 coarse powdered sugar | Per Picul. |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| No. 2 coarse powdered sugar | \$8.50 |

Man of War

| Man of War | Per Picul. |
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| Man of War | \$4.10 |

Silver Seal

| Silver Seal | Per Picul. |
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| Silver Seal | 4.20 |

Banana

| Banana | Per Picul. |
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| Banana | 4.15 |

Cheung Luk

| Cheung Luk | Per Picul. |
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| Cheung Luk | 4.15 |

Maize

| Maize | Per Picul. |
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| Maize | 3.63 |

Sword of Kwangtai

| Sword of Kwangtai | Per Picul. |
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| Sword of Kwangtai | 4.20 |

Cannon

| Cannon | Per Picul. |
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| Cannon | 4.60 |

Cabbage

| Cabbage | Per Picul. |
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| Cabbage | 4.43 |

Dalton

| Dalton | Per Picul. |
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| Dalton | 4.30 |

Dog's Head

| Dog's Head | Per Picul. |
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| Dog's Head | 4.60 |

DUCKS' FEATHERS.

Business in this line is still suffering from the effect of the general strike in 1925. Prior to that the annual turnover amounted to about \$3,000,000, but since the strike there has been practically no business done.

The activities of the dealers have also been somewhat checked owing to the Government not allowing them to store this commodity in the godowns at West Point. The only business done this month was 89 bales at \$85 per picul.

SUGAR.

Owing to the two local sugar refineries going out of business, Chinese dealers have taken to importing sugar from Java. They tried to swamp the market with brown sugar but this had a boom-rang effect with the result that they are now badly hit. There is a large stock of this inferior quality of sugar on hand with no buyers. The public is still clamouring for the good quality sugar which they had been accustomed to getting from Taikoo and the China Sugar Refinery.

There are now offering Java brown sugar at 85 per picul which works out at only 6 cents per catty (1½ lb.).

SHANGHAI SILK MARKET.

A little more business has come to book this week at lower prices. Demand is slow and prices generally are on the easy side.

Steam Finatures.—Extra B, 13/15, Tls. 950 av.

Yellow Steams.—A few transactions are reported at a smart decline from top rates.

Minchews.—Double Extra, Tls. 1,040 Extra C, Tls. 910.

Shantung.—Extra A, Tls. 960.

Tussah Finatures 8 etc.—Have been in more demand. Extra A, 1 and 2, Tls. 350/40 av.

Settlements, 1928—1927—1928.

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| Monday | 6.52 " | 5.40 " |

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LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

ALMOST STAGNANT.

MESSRS. BENJAMIN & POTTS' REPORT.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts, in their weekly review of the local share market, dated December 7th, state: The local market during the past week has lapsed into quietude bordering almost on stagnation, and only a few transactions have been recorded. Prices in the majority of cases have declined, and dullness and lack of business are the prevailing features of the market in regard to both investment and speculative stocks.

Hong Kong and Shanghai Banks have eased off slightly in London to 513 1/2 (Middle), but local sales were made at 51,320/51,325. Unions have fluctuated between 83 1/2 and 83 3/4. Cantons are without business at 8600. Hong Kong Fire continues on offer at 87 1/2.

Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have declined to a buying quotation of 82 1/2. China Providents have remained steady at 85. Kowloon Wharves are lower with sales made at 81 3/4. Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels were dealt in at 80.55 early in the week, but have since receded to 80.30.

Hong Kong Lands have fallen away to 805.40. Humphreys Estates are obtainable at 81 1/2. Hong Kong Trams after having touched 810.90 have slipped back to 810.30. Hong Kong Electric (Old) were taken off the market at 82 1/2. China Lights (Old) changed hands at 81 1/2 and 81 3/4.

Star Ferries seek buyers at 86 1/2. China Sugars advanced further to 60 cents, but have since lapsed to a nominal quotation. Dairy Farms were sold down to 82 1/2. Green Island Cements (Combined) were easier with sales reported at 84. There has been a slight recovery at the close with buyers offering 85.

Ewos are a shade lower and were negotiated at 115.15. Shanghai Cottons (Old) were placed at 115.64. Orientals are on offer at 115.24. Benquets have buyers at 2.21.

RUBBER SHARES.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. writes: With London stocks reported down by a further 1,470 tons (making present stocks in hand 18,724 tons) the price of rubber has remained very steady.

The continued steadiness in the price of rubber has led to a better enquiry for shares. Sellers, however, are difficult to locate. Present quotations are:—

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| Ayer Panas | 86.20 |
| Balgownie | 1.60 |
| Glencaly | 1.50 |
| Kuala Sidim | 3.00 |
| Kundang | 2.10 |
| Kedah | 3.10 |
| Lanah | 1.65 |
| New Serendah | 2.35 |
| Perak Rivers | 1.60 |

THORNYCROFT'S PROGRESS.

INCREASED PROFITS.

A very substantial increase in profits was experienced by John I. Thornycroft and Co., Ltd., the engineers and shipbuilders, in the year to July 31 last. The total amounted to £188,512, against £52,196 in the previous year. The dividend is increased from 6 to 15 per cent, while the Participating Preferred Ordinary shares receive 9 per cent. The report states that satisfactory results were achieved by the shipbuilding, marine engineering, and commercial vehicle sides of the business.

The Ordinary shares have risen to over £2 1/2, which appears to discount fully a maintenance of the prosperity of last year and even an increase. On the other hand, attractive investments are offered by the prior charges of the company, including 5 per cent. Debentures at about 95, 5 1/2 per cent. at about 90, 6 per cent. Preference shares at par, and the Participating Preferred Ordinary at 21 1/2.

RUBBER PRICES.

SCHEME FOR MAINTAINING VALUES.

A SUGGESTION FROM JAVA.

A correspondent in Samarang writes "the attached two letters, which were published in the Straits Times, Singapore, on 31st October, 1928, and 15th November, 1928, respectively, may be of interest to your readers and perhaps save many from sacrificing their investments in rubber shares."

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "STRAITS TIMES"]

Sir,—In the Straits Budget rubber supplement of recent issue it is suggested that "a reduction of the available supplies by 60,000 tons per annum would completely revolutionize the outlook for the industry." This appears to mean that overproduction is estimated at 60,000 tons per annum. Between January 1st and September 30th this year the price of rubber fell from over 1s. 6d. to under 9d. per lb., owing to the removal of restriction as from November 1st. This fall in price was due to:—

(a) the fear that supply will exceed consumption by, say, 5,000 tons per month (i.e., 60,000 tons per annum, as in para 2 above), aggravated by

(b) Bear sales, based on the expected overproduction of 5,000 tons per month.

If potential production is 600,000 tons per annum and consumption is 600,000 tons, the excess 60,000 tons might be destroyed and the loss to producers on the basis of 1s. 6d. per lb. would only amount to 18d. per lb. on the 600,000 tons required for consumption. In other words, the reduction in price from 1s. 6d. to 9d. per lb. is the total of 18d. loss due to overproduction, and 7 1/2d. loss due to speculation. The penalty of overproduction must be paid sooner or later, but would it not be possible to save the loss caused by the operations of speculators, in the following manner?

Any individual producer could:—

(a) offer his maximum production for forward delivery at the all-in cost plus, say, 10 per cent. profit (for example 9 plus 0.9 or 9.9d.).

(b) buy up to 9.9 minus 0.0625 or 9.8375 pence—all rubber offered for forward delivery, and

(c) restrict his production (and offer of production) pro rata.

If producers operating on these lines:—Succeed in buying forward for delivery at the rate of 5,000 tons per month, and restrict production during the same month by 5,000 tons per month, they would eliminate overproduction during the said month and compel bears to cover in a market oversold by 5,000 tons the first month, 10,000 tons the second month and so on.

In the Straits Budget rubber supplement of September 27th it is suggested that:—"Straits 30.14 (equivalent to 3.92d.) per lb. should more than cover actual production costs on a well managed estate, the said costs consisting of collecting, curing, packing, dispatch, etc."

If this is correct, the cost of restriction could not exceed 3.92d. per lb. for each lb. purchased, up to a maximum of 5,000 tons per month. This sum would cover all expenses, including remuneration—to all employees, and, by eliminating the risks of loss of labour, would enable producers to regulate output at any figure between 100 per cent. production and 100 per cent. production. At dates of deliveries (neglecting brokerage, etc.) producers could afford to cancel their purchases at (9.8375 plus 3.92) pence plus 10 per cent, or say 16.14 pence per lb. maximum, which is moderate in comparison with prices under restriction.

A group of leading producers, with a total potential production of 5,000 tons per month, produced at lowest possible cost prices, could operate on the foregoing lines with safety and profit and set an example that would probably be followed by other—and especially the high cost—producers, as soon as it was realized that squeezing bears was more profitable than producing high cost rubber.—Yours, etc.,

NAVILLUS'OF.

NEW N.Y.K. SERVICES.

Y.150,000 ANNUAL SUBSIDY.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha is now ready to operate two subsidized lines between Japan and eastern Europe and between Japan and Cuba, arrangements for which have already been made. The concern will receive some Y.120,000 annual subsidy for the former, and Y.50,000 for the latter annually.

The former will carry home-made cotton yarn and general merchandise on the outward voyage, and will bring back Egyptian cotton, the latter will transport Japanese-made silk tissues. The inauguration of these lines will further develop Japan's trade with the countries in eastern Europe and Cuba.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "STRAITS TIMES"]

Sir,—I have to thank you for your courtesy in publishing my letter of October 15th, I am enclosing herewith a copy of a statement of the matter from the point of view of the "high cost" producers which, I trust, will interest your readers.

The principle on which the following suggestions are based holds good for any figures.

Assuming that the world figures are as follows:—

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| Producers "A" | Ton per month. |
| Costing up to 13d. per lb. | 30,000 |
| Producers "B" | 5,000 |
| Costing over 13d. per lb. | 5,000 |
| Total production, max. | 35,000 |
| Total consumption, min. | 55,000 |
| Surplus production max. | 5,000 |

It has been assumed by many that the stoppage of compulsory restriction will eventually eliminate producers "B" which would reduce production to the level of consumption and stabilize the price at a figure that would return a reasonable profit on a cost price of 13d. to producers "A."

If these assumptions are correct—and they are supported by all the known factors—then producers "B" are facing ruin in the near future unless they can find some compensation for the loss incurred by producing rubber, at a cost of over 13d., for sale at a lower market value.

At the present moment—and for months past—rubber is being, and has been, freely offered at 9d. and lower, for forward delivery, and producers "B" have the choice of 3 alternatives, namely:—

(1) They can postpone forward sales, in the hope of better prices.

(2) They can sell forward at 9d. max., and lose at least 6d. per lb., or

(3) They can buy forward at 9d., restrict production pro rata and—in due course—realize their purchases in an over-sold market.

Alternative No. 1 is a blind gamble, with every known factor dead against the gambler.

Alternative No. 2 is not even a gamble but merely a short cut to ruin and bankruptcy.

Alternative No. 3 is equivalent to betting on a certainty and a certainty that is controlled by producers "B" themselves.

The producer who produces at 13d. when he can buy at 9d., or who hesitates to select alternative No. 3 above, is to quote Mr. A. W. Still, "unfit to be at large in a commercial community."

If producers "B" succeed in buying 50,000 tons at 9d., for delivery forward, at the rate of 5,000 tons per month, and restrict production pro rata, no argument can alter the facts that:—

(a) Overproduction—during the 12 months in question—has been eliminated, and

(b) "bear" sellers will have to cover in an oversold market, or

(c) Consumers—if producers "B" have bought actual rubber from producers "A" will have to cover their requirements, also in an oversold market.

The above scheme, owing to its "forward" basis, would keep supply always level with demand and, if not abused, would stabilize the price of rubber at a figure fair to both producer and consumer. No organization is absolutely necessary because, as shown above, producers "B" have really no choice. They must buy rubber or ruin themselves, and having bought, they must restrict production in order to protect their purchases.—Yours, etc.,

NAVILLUS'OF.

Samarang, November 10th.

FINANCIAL OBITER DICTA.

VIEWS OF BRITISH BUSINESSMEN.

The campaign to buy British goods cannot fully succeed unless people have a means of discovering whether what they are buying is in fact British or not.—Mr. E. Williams, M.P.

It is much easier to spend money economically in large sums than in small; that is why a Scotsman is so reluctant to change a banknote, if ever he gets hold of one, for he knows that loose money runs to waste.—Sir Charles Addis.

From all parts of the country I learn that people are laying by more out of diminishing incomes than they did in the days of their prosperity.—Major-General J. E. B. Seely.

We never in the history of this country had a man who has done more for manufacturing concerns than Mr. Baldwin.—Mr. W. R. Morris.

The burden of rates is the main cause that prevents our manufacturers from competing on fair terms with foreign competitors.—The Earl of Cranbrook.

I consider that the Bank of England is highly efficient, and always discharges its duties conscientiously and with the public interest entirely in view.—Sir Herbert Hambling.

Prosperity does not mean a place in the sun for only a few world-wide operators.—Sir John Cadman.

Lord Ashfield has everything worth having except the tramways.—Mr. Herbert Morrison.

In spite of competition, railways are still the world over the greatest instruments for the movement of goods and passengers.—Sir Brodie Henderson.

THE SUPPLY OF TIN.

WHAT ARE THE FACTS?

Recent efforts by employers and trade unions in England to analyse rationalisation or efficiency methods, and to stimulate economic recovery, suggest that part of the remedy for present distress may be found in a great public interest in the broad problems of large individual industries.

Tin is at the moment a good illustration. Take, for example:—

(a) The innumerable uses of tin in engineering, the building industry, motor manufacture, and the greatly developed canning trade. The first is in depression. The other three are relatively prosperous. While there may be only 15s. worth of tin in an automobile and a small fraction of a farthing's worth in a can of fruit, the aggregate consumption of industries now of world importance is impressive.

(b) The value of more reliable statistics bearing on the output and consumption of tin. In this sphere progress is being made; that progress should influence the problem of price stabilisation.

(c) What are the facts regarding world supplies? Is overproduction a bogey? Broadly, the output of metallic tin is barely keeping pace with consumption, and much has been written on both sides regarding the recent forty-four days' total visible supplies.

(d) Admitted authorities urge, on the fact in (c) that the price of tin may cause a curtailment of output; and that production must increase at least in ratio to the increase in consumption if industrial demands are to be satisfied.

While the United States consumes more than half the world's output of metallic tin, consumption in the United Kingdom has increased substantially since 1928; and public interest in tin-producing companies has also increased. Directly and indirectly innumerable industrial undertakings are affected by these facts.

CINEMA NEWS.

"THE KING OF KINGS" TO BE SCREENED AGAIN.

"THE TIMES" CRITIC ON THE PRODUCTION.

"The King of Kings," the much-discussed film production dealing with the life of Christ, is to be shown again at the Queen's on Tuesday and Wednesday next.

The task of the producer, although extremely hard, was not inherently impossible or improper. A consideration which must save this enterprise from complete condemnation," asserts the Times, "is that night after night the savings of the eyes of the thousands who may be expected to attend. The art of the producer has added little to them. But at least he has given them a setting of a kind. Cecil de Mille has told it in his own way, but certainly with no irreverence and with no offense. The fact that we have most in mind is that there are hundreds and thousands of people in this modern world of ours utterly ignorant of the Gospel story, and we are not prepared to be captious in our criticisms of the attempt to tell that story, even in Hollywood's way."

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TOWN TOPICS.

St. Peter's O.Y.M. Club and Street Sleepers; Xmas-tide and Charity; Small Pox; Novel Way of Vaccination.

[By R. E. PORTER.]

Street Sleepers.

On Monday night at the Cathedral Hall, the Rev. N. V. Halward, on behalf of the St. Peter's Branch of the V.D.A., made a strong appeal to members of the Church Missionary Society to provide housing accommodation for the street sleepers.

The speaker drew an appalling picture of the condition of those who had to sleep in the streets. He concluded by saying that here in a British Colony, we allow over 1,000 persons sleeping out in the streets each winter night with little protection from the cold. Mr. Halward emphasised that members of the St. Peter's Young Men's Club had personally made enquiries from these unfortunate and their replies had been almost invariably the same—that they were too poor to pay for a night's lodging.

This is all very well, but there is the other side of the picture which must be looked into before an elaborate scheme, as suggested by Mr. Halward, be launched for the betterment of our street sleepers.

It was stated that at least \$50,000 would be needed to provide a home for them. Charity can be misdirected. Mischievous is often caused by being too free-handed.

There are many factors, which will render the scheme impracticable. First of all, can we teach these ignorant coolies the benefits of sanitation and hygiene? The answer is not far to seek. All we have to do is to see how the poorer Chinese view the regulations of the Sanitary Board. The quarterly general cleansing of Chinese tenement houses enforced by the Sanitary authority for the benefit of those concerned is hated. They consider it an intrusion into their domestic life, and the remark is often heard that what could a poor Chinese expect from the hands of "foreign devils." The same thing applies to the annual lime washing of houses. Nobody knows better than the much abused Sanitary Inspectors whose duty is to enforce these regulations how much the Chinese resent them.

There is still another point which must be considered. Are these sleepers really destitute? Most of them are not. They are hard working and honest coolies. Their income is about forty or fifty cents a day, and to them this is a princely wage. They spend about 12 cents on their daily meals, and the rest goes in gambling and a pipe of opium. They must have their recreation, who can blame them; and if they choose to find distraction in gaming and dope, it is their business.

Then there is still another aspect. There are coolie houses in the Colony where a night's lodging can be obtained for three or four cents. Any coolie who wishes to have a roof over his head has only to pay a few cents. Are they willing to pay? Yes, some of them do, and those who will even deny themselves this necessity of life, will unhesitatingly refuse to pay the "small price" (suggested at the meeting) in order to obtain a night's lodging in a hut to be provided by the St. Peter's Young Men's Club.

Then there is the question of procuring a suitable site to build either a hut or a house for these coolies. Is it to be in Kennedy Town, Shaikwan, or on the other side of the island? If it is, then there is very little chance of inducing the coolies to go all that distance to seek a night's lodging. There is no available space in the Central district, and as far as Wanchai is concerned, the Government has already stated that no ground can be assigned there. This statement was made to Mr. J. P. Braga when he urged at the Sanitary Board Meeting a month ago that a play ground be provided for Wanchai children.

We are all of us sorry for the sufferer and the "down and out," but in this matter we are on difficult ground. It is arguable that it is often better for these coolies to sleep out than in stuffy quarters. This may sound callous, but we all know the prevalence of consumption in China, and by an odd irony, one can pay through the nose in Europe to sleep out—as a patient at a convalescent sanatorium.

Most of the coolies who sleep outside the doors of shops and business houses are paid for doing so. This may be another matter which the members of the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club have overlooked. It is nevertheless true. Most of the coolies get a dollar or so a month for sleeping outside business houses in the Central districts. They are watchmen, although admittedly sleeping ones.

Small-pox.

According to the daily health report issued by the Medical Officer of Health, it appears that small pox is daily taking its toll in the Colony, most of the victims being young children. An epidemic of this kind calls for urgent measures, and it is gratifying to know that the St. John's Ambulance Brigade is organising a vaccination campaign amongst the poorer classes of the Chinese. It is a pity that the mass of people here do not know the importance of having their children vaccinated as early as possible. They often wait until the child is about a year old. The task of the authorities is by the way, not facilitated by the fact that when a case of small pox occurs in a poor family, it is never reported. They would even hide it from their friends and thus allow infection to spread.

Another matter which calls for immediate attention is the way in which the children of poor Chinese are vaccinated. A Chinese quack is called in and he often uses vaccine taken from another child who has just been vaccinated and whose vaccination is just in the "taking stage." A child in that state is often taken from house to house thus earning a few cents for its mother by supplying vaccine.

Such a method is cruel and injurious to say the least. The victimised child never has a chance to get well. He is "tapped" for vaccine until it is almost exhausted. At the same time it is most harmful to the children who are vaccinated in that manner. Almost any hereditary disease can be passed on in this way.

Dr. Barnardo's Homes.

With Christmas almost upon us, some of our thoughts will naturally be, or ought to be, with those less fortunately placed than ourselves. With the English mail there arrived circular letters from Dr. Barnardo's Homes yesterday reminding us that Christmas is approaching and there is a family of 2,000 young ones to be fed and clothed. We all know the good work done in these homes and only ten shillings keeps a destitute child for as many days.

The Nathan Road Derby.

A regular Derby is held every night along Nathan Road, Kowloon, by the motor buses which meet the last ferry. Little harm is done, if any, and the considerable excitement and interest enlivens the late journey for the bus employees and their passengers alike. We have even heard that there is one gentleman whose sporting instincts are so highly developed, that although his flat is situated only about half a mile from the Ferry, he has allowed himself to be carried on to Sham Shui Po rather than lose his driver the race by pulling the bell!

Personality Or Brains.

Nothing produces eloquence like a bar. At a local club two gentlemen who would probably have been quite tongue tied at a Y.M.C.A. debate poured forth a volume of wit and eloquence on the subject of whether Brains or Personality was the most useful asset in life. It is not recorded whether they started by defining what they meant by the qualities they were disputing, but that sort of hair-splitting never arose.

First came a vivid picture of the new-comer, clever perhaps, but nervous, diffident and probably something wrong with his appearance—either hair too long, shoe lace undone, collar stud showing—standing in front of his tai-pan, all his wits scattered and wishing himself back at home. "Compare him with a brisk well set up lad, with a joke and a smile and all the latest news at his finger-tips and something amusing to say about the voyage, and a decisive 'yes sir,' when asked if he's keen on sport work, that good first impression. You know, the old man saying every now and then—how's that bright young spark getting on? The other fellow he never thinks about. Of course you must have some saving—but its personality gets you there."

I didn't hear the reply, but it was probably just as good. Do men talk out freely in the tea houses and soft drink palaces of the land of Puss-foot, or do they just think and brood and go bootlegging!

Pity The Hawker!

"Chestnuts come from trees and therefore they are fruit," observed a Magistrate recently in discharging a licensed fruit hawker for selling what his accuser maintained was cooked food. Such reasoning assists a hawker who is bound by a long code of restrictions and finds himself at the mercy of the plain clothes man.

Although regarded by many of us as a nuisance hawkers are a necessity to the Chinese who look upon them to provide their daily needs (Continued on next Column).

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

SUNDAY'S EFFORT FOR THE POOR.

MANY ATTRACTIONS.

Arrangements are in full swing for the 45th Annual Bazaar of the St. Vincent de Paul, which will be held to-morrow in the Compound of the R.C. Cathedral from 3.30 p.m. onwards.

Judging from the enthusiasm of the Members of the Committee, and a large number of helpers, the Fete promises to provide not only Toys of every description for children but also fun for all.

Over 7,000 toys have been imported from Europe, and these can be had at the various stalls at prices ranging from 10 cents to a maximum of \$1. As in previous years there will again be the popular Farmyard Stall, with Sausages, well-fed turkeys, geese, capons, sucking pigs etc., all from the Dairy Farm Co.

The Car Race. The big feature of the Fete will naturally be the Draw for the Postage Six, a five-seater Sedan, de Luxe car and ten consolation prizes. The car will be taken about 10.30 p.m. The car is being taken during the town during the last two days, mounted on a truck and presents a striking appearance. Tickets for this draw, at \$3 each are still obtainable and will be sold up to 6 p.m. on the day of the Fete.

Another special feature will be a Surprise Cake with 500 slices, every slice concealing a prize. Sovereigns, half-sovereigns, jewels and coins are amongst the articles hidden in the slices.

Entertainments.

Last but not least there will be Variety Entertainments given by members of the Concert Party of H.M.S. Titania, of the Churchills and Tait "Manila Shows" which have just arrived for a short season in the Colony and will be opened next week, and a troupe of Chinese Magicians and Fire-eaters. The novelty of this Variety Entertainment is that each performance will last only half an hour. Entirely new turns at each performance. Admission will be at the very modest price of 30 cents for adults and 20 cents for children.

Besides tea which will be served by Lane Crawford & Co. a stall will supply at very moderate prices Hot Dogs made with Lane Crawford's rolls, and Dairy Farm Frankfurter Sausages, fried in Crisco. For the small sum of 20 cents one will be able to purchase one of these delicacies at the hands of some young ladies who will add thereto mustard and pickle.

The grounds will be illuminated in the evening and the full Military band of the R.O.S.B. under handmaster Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M., will play both in the afternoon and the evening, by kind permission of Lt. Col. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O., and officers.

Given good weather and the well-known charitable support which the Hong Kong public invariably extend to every deserving cause, the 45th Annual Fete should go down in the annals of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul as another proof of public generosity in the matter of the relief of the misery of the distressed in our midst.

BAZAAR COMMITTEE'S THANKS.

The Bazaar Committee of St. Vincent de Paul have pleasure in acknowledging receipt of the following gifts to their forthcoming Bazaar:—

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Mr. H. E. Remington, 1 case of useful fancy articles.

at small cost. Fines are daily inflicted in the Courts on those who deviate from the terms of their licences or who hawk without permits, but no risk is too great when this is the only honest means by which a man may earn a few cents. A large batch appeared at the Courts yesterday and paid for their misdeeds with a few dollars, but one who thought he was wiser than his fellows and contested the case with his accuser found that he had to forfeit the whole of the five dollars which he had deposited as bail.

Not very long ago a man brought up for hawking without a licence made the true but amazing submission that this was his only means of livelihood, and if he was deprived of it he would have to steal. Licences were not to be granted to everybody, but he had tried to get them several times and had failed.

ROUND THE COURTS.

"SOMERSETSHIRE" INCIDENT.

NO FURTHER NEWS.

Private J. Boyle, of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, was again remanded for a further week when it was stated that no further news has been received from Colombo about Sergeant A. Kerr, the man who received a stab wound on board the troopship Somersetshire.

Last week it was mentioned by Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, Assistant Attorney-General, that the injured man was in a very critical condition and the case would assume a more serious aspect in the event of his death.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT.

Lo Kung Pak, a Chinese with many aliases, was brought before the Second Magistrate in connection with alleged embezzlement of about \$2,000 from the Kwong On Yuen firm.

Mr. F. N. Nash, who prosecuted, was granted a week's remand when he informed the Court that there was a possibility of further charges being brought against the defendant.

KOWLOON'S "FISHY" CASES.

A scavenging coolie in Kowloon was charged with unlawful possession of an empty jar which he maintained came under the class of broken articles which he was free to collect. The jar, however, was quite sound.

After hearing Sanitary Inspector Royle, the Magistrate (Mr. E. W. Hamilton) remarked that the story "looked very fishy" but he gave defendant the benefit of the doubt.

Another fishy story in which crabs were involved was given by a man who was charged with hawking. His statement that he was carrying four of these creatures for a woman who had promised to pay him twenty cents for the service drew a remark from his Worship that he must not be thought to be a fool.

Defendant was fined \$5, or seven days.

THE SAME OLD EXCUSE.

A Chinese who was sentenced to twelve months' hard labour last year for returning from banishment was again before Mr. Hamilton. Defendant declared that he was merely passing through Hong Kong on his way abroad. "I suppose that's what you said the last time," remarked his Worship in passing sentence of three months' hard labour and fifteen strokes of the birch.

A FAMILY DISPUTE.

A Chinese couple appeared before the Kowloon Magistrate and roundly abused each other, the man maintaining that he assaulted the woman because she had transferred her affections to another while the wife said that she scolded her husband for gambling, and she was then assaulted.

The husband was also charged with stealing some clothing belonging to the wife. The latter charge was dropped as it was possible the woman had given him the clothes to pawn.

According to the prosecution, the defendant was alleged to have thrown a quantity of powdered glass and pepper into the woman's face and then struck her over the head with a chisel.

Defendant was fined \$25, or one month's hard labour.

HEALTH BULLETIN OF EASTERN PORTS.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending December 1st states:—

Plague.
Bombay: 5 deaths.
Colombo: 1 case, 1 death.
Penang: 2 cases, 2 deaths.
Baghdad: 2 cases, 1 death.
Ten infected rats found in Bombay in Zone 3.

Cholera.
Calcutta: 8 deaths.
Madras: 13 deaths.
Rangoon: 2 deaths.
Tatoochin: 1 case.
Pondicherry: 1 death.
Bangkok: 4 cases, 1 death.

Small-pox.
Basrah: 12 cases, 8 deaths.
Bombay: 2 cases, 1 death.
Calcutta: 2 cases, 1 death.
Madras: 18 cases, 8 deaths.
Moumein: 2 cases, 1 death.
Negapatnam: 16 cases, 2 deaths.
Pondicherry: 1 death.
Samarinda: 3 cases, 1 death.
Penang: 8 cases, 4 deaths.
Shanghai: 11 deaths.
Baghdad: 34 cases, 18 deaths.



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ALLEGED OVERLOADING OF RIVER STEAMER.

SOLICITOR'S REQUEST FOR PARTICULARS.

MAGISTRATE SAYS THEY ARE IMMATERIAL.

Mr. Horace Lo, appeared on behalf of the Chuen On S.S. Co., Ltd., and Captain Thomas Jones, owner and master respectively of the s.s. Chuen Chuen, who were summoned before Commander J. B. Newell, D.S.O., R.N., at the Marine Court for "unlawfully allowing the ship to be loaded so as to submerge below the centre of the disc, at about 2.50 p.m. on Tuesday, December 4th."

Boarding Officer R. Elvridge prosecuted.

When the case was called, Mr. Lo asked the Magistrate to fix a date for the hearing as the ship had not arrived in port; and in any case he wished to see the Master about the summons. In the meantime he would be very pleased if his Worship could let him know the exact distance the ship was submerged below the centre of the disc. It might be a few feet or a mere fraction of an inch, but he would like to know as it would have great bearing on his defence. The Magistrate replied that it was really immaterial. The centre of the disc was alleged to have been submerged and that was the offence. In any case such information could only be given in evidence and if (Mr. Lo) wished to proceed with the case he would call the evidence.

Mr. Lo replied that he would prefer to have the hearing adjourned but would like to know what he had asked for. He was entitled to such information and besides he wished to know the exact allegation.

Magistrate: The allegation is that the centre of the disc was below the water's surface. The offence is committed no matter how much or how little it is submerged. However, you may obtain such information from the prosecution, when the Court has adjourned, providing, of course, that Mr. Elvridge is willing to divulge such information.

The Magistrate then adjourned the case until Wednesday at 11.30 a.m.

Mr. Lo (to Mr. Elvridge): May I know the extent of the submergence?

Mr. Elvridge: I'm sorry but I cannot give such information except by the order of the Court. The Magistrate remarked to Mr. Lo that he must leave it as it stood. He was not entitled to make an order for such information to be given to him (Mr. Lo) and he must obtain it from the evidence at the next hearing.

**SHRINKING TRADE
OF CANTON.****LIKIN IMPOSITIONS
BLAMED.****DIRECT SHIPMENTS FROM
HONG KONG.**

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, December 7th.

Business in Canton is declining day by day, as seen from the vast number of shops that have been closed. Even in those that are open the present volume of business is far from what it was previously. Many proprietors in conversation with our correspondent said that they are doing only from one-third to one-half of what they did a year and a half or two years ago. They pointed out that over 45 of the wholesale fruit stores have been forced to close during the past month, and more are likely to follow the same fate before the end of the present lunar year. The hand embroidery works are equally bad. Hitherto this has been a most flourishing enterprise and Canton has long been noted for its beautiful hand embroideries.

FOREIGN TRADERS HIT.

The business decline in Canton is not only confined to the Chinese merchants; the foreign traders here are equally hard hit. Formerly the shops on Shamien were all occupied, but now as our correspondent walked through the Island, he saw many shops closed with signs "to be let" hung on the front door. These foreign traders either have entirely closed their business and left Canton or reduced their business to a much smaller scale so as to save overhead expenses. This is in particular true of the foreign exporters, whose business for the past year or so has been only about one-half of what it was previously.

LIKIN EXACTIIONS.

The primary cause for this general and appalling decline in business in Canton the Chinese merchants attribute to the *likin* taxations. They say that when their goods are imported from Hong Kong, a free port, to Canton they have to pay *likin* upon arrival in Canton, and when they leave Canton on their way to their final destination, they have to pay more *likins*. Because of these conditions the merchants have found it cheaper to ship their goods from Hong Kong direct to their destination without passing through Canton, thus avoiding double payment of *likin*.

At present the only ports which have to depend upon Canton for goods bought at Hong Kong are those of the North River districts where there are no vessels plying directly from Hong Kong, but the merchants point out that they too will not have to depend upon Canton when the railroad loop from Wongah and Tai Sha Tau is constructed. If this is done the Canton-Kowloon Railway can proceed directly to Shikwan through the North River districts.

The merchants finally point that the only way to revive trade in Canton and to restore its former commercial splendour and activities is for the Canton Government to abolish the *likin*, so that merchants in the interior of Kwangtung would not have to resort to importing goods from Hong Kong as they are now doing.

THE ROSS INSTITUTE.**THANKS FOR HONG KONG'S
HELP.**

The following telegram has been received by Mrs. Southern from the Secretary of the Ross Institute, on receipt of the cheque for £140, the result of the Bridge and Mah Jong party at the Helena May Institute on October 17th:—

Please accept heartiest thanks. Letter follows.

Secretary Ross Institute.

**AN INNOCENT
COUNTRY GIRL?****ALLEGED HARBOURING.****ESCAPE FROM UNSATISFACTORY
HUSBAND.**

A Chinese woman was before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon on two charges of harbouring with intent to persuade a young Chinese girl under the age of 21 to become a prostitute, and attempting to sell her to a man in Fanling. Mr. E. A. D. Forrest prosecuted on behalf of the Secretariat of Chinese Affairs, the defendant being unrepresented.

In outlining the case Mr. Forrest said that the complainant was first brought to the notice of the department when she was arrested for creating a disturbance in Yau-mat. The girl was eventually brought to the Secretariat where she said that she was married and had left her husband with his consent. She came to Hong Kong with the defendant who had promised to assist her in obtaining work. When they arrived in Hong Kong the girl was taken to Sha Tau Kok where the defendant attempted to sell her to a man who lived there. The girl then realized what the defendant was doing and refused to go with the man. She was brought back to Yau-mat where she was kept for several days during which time the defendant urged her to enter a "house" at West Point. The girl made up an excuse to leave the house for a little while and hurried to a letter writer with the intention of communicating with her mother. The husband of the defendant followed her, there was a scene, a crowd collected and the defendant was subsequently arrested.

The girl, Young Kuen, aged 16, said that she was married in Kowloon but as she could not get on with her husband's parents she decided to leave him and find work. Her husband consented to the separation and the defendant came forward with an offer to bring her to Hong Kong where she could obtain work.

A few days after their arrival in the Colony the defendant took her to a place in Fanling where a go-between came to see her. She heard the woman bargain with the defendant for a sum of \$230. The go-between asked her if she would consent to live with the man but witness refused. They returned to Yau-mat where the defendant suggested that she should not consent to be a secondary wife, she must become one of the girls in West Point. This witness also refused, and the defendant became angry. Later witness left the house but defendant's husband followed her, stopped her, and threatened to beat her. A crowd surrounded them and she was eventually taken to the Police Station where she told her story.

The mother of the girl said that the defendant had offered to take her married daughter to Hong Kong and get her work. There had been no quarrel between the girl and her husband, but husband not being well off, allowed her to come to Hong Kong in search of work.

The defendant in her statement said that the girl and her mother were out to harm her. She had taken the girl to Fanling because she did not like her husband and wanted a better one. The Magistrate adjourned the hearing remarking that he had an idea that the girl had run away from her husband.

THE MANILA SHOWS.**OPENING TO-NIGHT ON PRAYA
EAST.**

The Manila Shows are opening to-night on the Praya East and it is expected that a large number of people will take advantage of their season to enjoy themselves on swings and roundabouts.

It has been announced by the management of the Shows that a children's day is to be held next week when the poor children of the town will be given a full measure of enjoyment free. Some 1,500 to 2,000 children will be admitted, and will be given rides on the seaplanes, merry-go-rounds, etc. They will also be entertained by a Filipino circus, and a couple of child members of the troupe will be deputed as hosts and will show their guests how to dance the Tango, Black Bottom, and the Charleston. Jesse Adams, the tall boy from Kokomo has promised to shake hands with every child, while Joe Peters is to give special outdoor act for their benefit.

The offer on the part of the Manila Shows is a most generous one, and the day will long be remembered by the poor children who

CORRESPONDENCE.**A CORRECTION BY MR.
HUSSEY-FREKE.**(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG
DAILY PRESS.")

SIR,—I am indebted to a correspondent of the North China Standard for pointing out an incorrectness of the statement contained in my published memorandum of November 20th, 1928, to the effect that "the Inspectorate has never been connected in any way with such loans nor even possesses any record of their flotation or existence." [Note: Loan secured on Salt Revenue Surplus.] The facts are as follows:

The Inspectorate has on its files certain information concerning loans—not, it appears, a complete list—raised by the Minister of Finance on the security of the Salt Surplus prior to 1923. Up to that time it was the practice for the Chief Inspectors to release the Surplus in whole or in part in the form of payments to such of the Minister's creditors as he should direct from time to time and payments in respect of a number of such loans were made. In August, 1923, the Minister instructed the Chief Inspectors that henceforth all Salt Surplus should be released to him in one lump sum and this principle has been strictly carried out from that time on.

I much regret the inaccuracy of the statement above referred to, which was made through inadvertence.—Yours faithfully,

E. HUSSEY-FREKE,
Associate Chief Inspector
of Salt Revenues.

Peking, Nov. 26th, 1928.

**THE HONG KONG ART
CLUB.****INTERESTING EXHIBITION
BY LOCAL ARTISTS.****PICTURES TO KEEP AND
TO SEND HOME.**

The annual exhibition of the Hong Kong Art Club will be held this year on Wednesday and Thursday next on the top floor of Putter Building which has been kindly lent to the Club for the occasion. The exhibition will be open between 10.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. on either day and nearly 300 pictures will be on view. These are for the great part water colours, but pencil work, pastel and oil paintings are also included.

The Hong Kong Art Club is a membership of local men and women who are united by a common love of art. Some among them are painters of considerable merit, others amateurs, but they all paint because they love it, and their work reflects this and every picture has charm whatever its merits may be as a work of art.

The greater number of the exhibits are local scenes, views such as we pass every day, and which have made Hong Kong one of the beauty spots of the world. When you wander round the exhibition you will see many familiar scenes which will recall outings, walks and those moments when you have been held spell bound by a sunset or the flame of a pomegranate against a mass of sombre foliage.

Letters are but poor things, at best, for few of us are gifted with the power to describe something which the reader has never seen, but almost any one of these sketches would show those at home what your surroundings are here in the distant East. They would picture you walking along that narrow Peak Road and stand beside you as you look again and again at the wonders of the harbour. And for yourself, especially if you are going home and leaving Hong Kong for good, such a sketch would hold memories which can never fade, and you will look at it again and again and show the children the picture of the land where they were born.

Because the Club is composed mainly of amateurs, who seek no material gain from their art, the pictures are all cheap, and for a very small sum you can become the possessor of a painting which will indeed prove "a thing of beauty and a joy for ever."

Quite apart, however, from this, possibly, sentimental value the exhibition is well worth seeing from the point of view of the artist or art lover. The artist will recapture some of his young enthusiasm as he looks at these sketches which speak of love and faithful care, sketches which it is very easy to see with the eyes of the artist, forgetting the faults in the realisation of the vision and enthusiasm which created them. For the amateur there is much to be learnt, especially for one who has followed the work of the exhibitors through several exhibitions. He will see how faults have been overcome, and how certain effects have been arrived at, and he will leave Putter Building with a fresh spur to go on and paint the masterpieces which

THE MOSLEM REVOLT IN KANSU.**DETAILS OF APPALLING MASSACRE AND CRUELITIES
COMBINED WITH FAMINE.****A PROVINCE DOOMED TO DESTRUCTION.**

The following terrible report, contributed to the "North China Daily News," is the first detailed and authentic account of the Mohammedan rebellion which has been raging in Kansu. The correspondent Mr. W. W. Simpson thinks the estimate of 200,000 Chinese dead a conservative one.

Mincow, Kansu, Nov. 5th.

The rebellion began in April. The underlying cause was the dissatisfaction of the Mohammedans with the ambition of one of their chiefs, Ma Ting Siang, third son of the famous Ma An Liang, who has long wished to make Kansu a Moslem State since years ago he was placed in charge of one of the eight Military Districts of Kansu with headquarters at Liangchow. He surrounded himself with young ambitious Moslems who held the same views as himself and trained a big Moslem army. The young Moslems of Kansu are very numerous, powerful and impatient of restraint, were his devoted followers.

Last spring, when General Liu Yu Feng, Chief of the Provincial Government, was throwing all the strength of his army into the war against Chang Tso Lin, General Ma, encouraged by emissaries of Chang Tso Lin who promised to aid him with men and munitions, gave the signal for rebellion.

At first the object was simply to overthrow the Provincial Government, drive the Kuominchun out of Kansu, and set up a new Government composed only of native Kansu men, Moslems of course, which Chang Tso Lin had pledged to recognize as the legal government of Kansu. But the Moslems of Kansu are very fanatical and began their rebellion by brutal butcheries of Chinese. The Moslems of Kansu are different from the Chinese in race and religion and frequent wars have made them inveterate enemies.

Ambitions Young Moslems.

These initial butcheries stirred the Chinese to retaliate, therefore the rebellion soon became a massacre. Though the older Mohammedan leader held aloof their soldiers practically all joined the rebels, bringing all their arms and ammunition. The Chinese civilians were practically unarmed and the Kuominchun to few that the Moslem armies quickly took possession of all West Kansu except Hsichow city and Ningho, a large town 80 li south. Three times the Moslems have fiercely assaulted Hsichow, for days at a time and had been driven back with the greatest difficulty. Ningho has been besieged about five months and is now practically given up as lost, the Kuominchun being unable to send relief. Pingfan, Kiang and Liangchow, have been taken and lost and retaken by the Kuominchun, undergoing long sieges and fierce assaults. Practically the entire Moslem population living west of a line drawn north and south through Lanchow has joined the rebellion.

The Dead Lie In Heaps.

The Moslems have taken all the roads entering Hsichow except the one from Lanchow west of Yellow River to a point 50 li north of Hsichow, thence south to the city. This is the road I took. On October 2nd I crossed the Yellow River on a crude ferry a few li from the town of Lienhua. The ferry-men told me that last summer the Moslems came in force, captured the town, pursued the fleeing inhabitants to the bank of the Yellow River just where it is joined by the Hsia River from the south, and there massacred over 5,000 men, women and children. Several heaps of stones near the ferry landing marks the places where bodies lay in stacks until devoured by wolves, dogs and vultures.

From Lienhua I went south 40 li to Hsichow.

The city is filled with Chinese refugees who fled from their homes on the approach of the rebels and are now crowded in the city or camped just outside the wall under the protection of the garrison on the walls, and in the fort they have erected just north of the city.

Slaughter And Pestilence.

The Magistrate, himself a Mohammedan from Chihli, told me that in the vicinity of Hsichow 10,000 Chinese civilians were massacred and more than that number had perished in the pestilence consequent on the unsanitary condition in the city, 300 to 400 corpses daily being carried or thrown out of the city for four months. Cooler weather has now reduced the number of deaths but still about 100 per day die. Food was so scarce that the Magistrate had to compel the civilian popula-

tion to give food to the Moslems day for months to feed the garrison. Hundreds of children entirely uncared for, their parents and relatives having either been killed in the massacre, separated in the flight or died in the pestilence, were in such misery that I arranged to take as many as we can house into our buildings and feed and clothe them. How long we can care for them depends on the offerings of money, clothing, bedding, etc. we receive from others. But there are thousands of such children! We can house only 50!

"Give Us Your Girls."

In many villages the Chinese and Moslems were living side by side. When rumours of trouble disturbed the Chinese their Moslem neighbours assured them of effectual protection. But when the set time came their protectors rose en masse, surrounded the homes of the Chinese, and killed all with the most cruel tortures except the young married women and bigger girls whom they forced into their harems. On that day the Government troops stationed at Sintienpu joined the Mintuan and drove the Moslems back. From the west side of the river they are constantly deriding the Chinese, shouting across, "Give us your big girls."

200,000 A Low Estimate.

I have met men from Ningho, a large walled town 90 li south of Hsichow, and they told me at least 70,000 Chinese including those who dwell there, were shut in during the five months siege. Of these only about half now lives, the remainder having perished in the siege, or died of hunger and pestilence. That means another big massacre of 35,000 men, women and children!

The estimate of 200,000 having perished in this rebellion, given some three months ago, I think very conservative. Reports say the entire Chinese population from Pingfan to Liangchow, three districts, either fled to the mountains or were slain by the Moslems. Practically no quarter is given now by either side and no consideration is given to non-combatants. Merciless war, gaunt famine, unchecked pestilence, these three horrors have already destroyed more than half a million people in Kansu and the worst is yet to come! Of course you fortunate ones luxuriating in palatial residences, fattening on the produce of all nations brought to your doors, and protected by the armies and navies your inexhaustible riches have created, you can't believe such horrors possible in this Twentieth Century. But I have seen with my own eyes, heard with my own ears and felt with my own agonised heart the grinding to death of a sentient people!

Ma Fu Hsiang Stands Loyal.

Not all the Moslem leaders have joined the rebellion. General Ma Fu Hsiang and his officers with their armies have loyally supported Marshal Feng in his strenuous fight against Fengtien and are now aiding General Liu against the re-religionists in rebellion. In Lanchow, September 30th, I met General Ma Hong Ping, a nephew of General Ma Fu Hsiang, who had just arrived from Honan. After some days' consultation with the Provincial Government he left for Hsichow about October 10th to try his best to persuade as many of the rebels as possible to desert. Ma Ting Hsiang and surrender to the Government forces. Just what success he is having I do not know. Marshal Feng met General Liu on his recent trip to Shensi and after learning the particulars about the rebellion, famine, etc. issued a long proclamation exhorting the rebel Moslems to surrender and threatening death to all who persist in supporting Ma Ting Hsiang.

Three Million In Misery.

The population of the entire region affected by the rebellion must be about 3,000,000.

Numerous bands of robbers roam almost at will in other parts of Kansu, their nuclei being chiefly Moslem soldiers, well armed and mounted. The rogues and rascals and starving refugees join them in looting villages, towns and, occasionally, walled cities. No place in Kansu is safe! Taken altogether I think I am correct in calling it the doomed province. Unless help comes very soon and in great abundance—and efficiency there is nothing for Kansu but

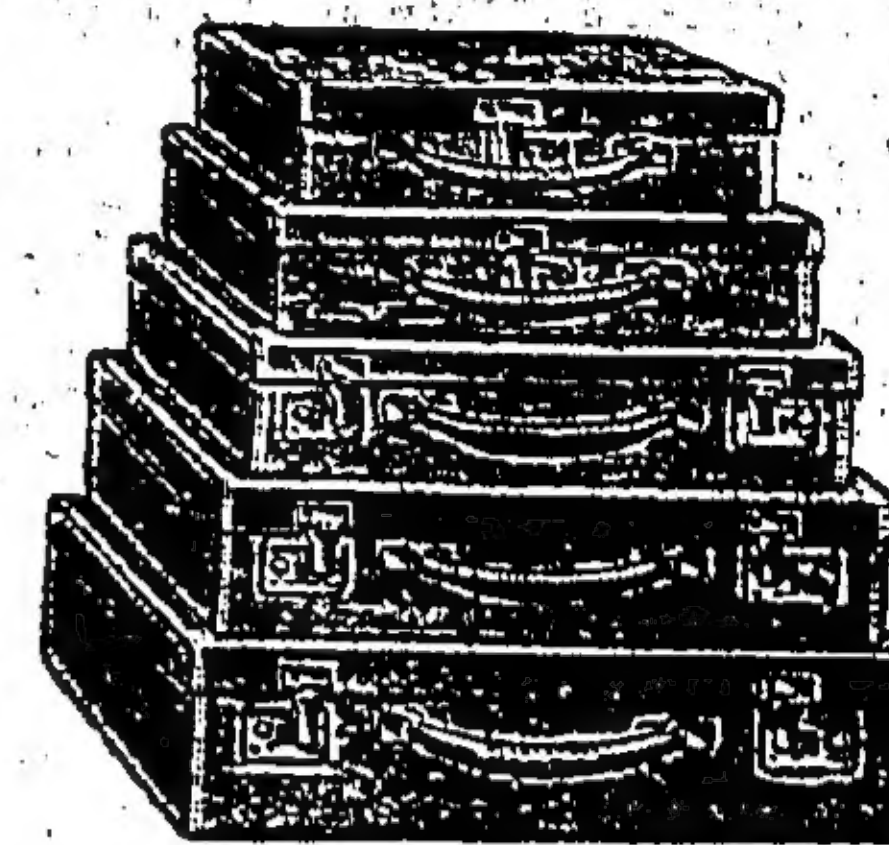
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IN H.B.M. CONSULAR COURT AT AMOY.

PANKRUTY JURISDICTION
No. 3 of 1928.

Re TAIT & CO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there will be a MEETING of CREDITORS of the above named Debtor Firm at 10 O'clock in the Forenoon in the Court Room at H.B.M. CONSULATE, AMOY, on FRIDAY, 14th DAY of DECEMBER, 1928. Creditors wishing to attend should send in their Claims to the Undersigned, at the Firm's Address, AMOY.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1928.

W. D. RUSSELL, A.C.A., Receiver. [7073]

IN H.B.M. CONSULAR COURT AT AMOY.

BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION
No. 3 of 1928.

Re TAIT & COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above named Court has appointed the 10th DAY of DECEMBER, 1928, at 10 O'clock in the Forenoon, for proceeding with the Public Examination of the above named Debtor Firm in the Court Room at H.B.M. CONSULATE, AMOY.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1928.

W. D. RUSSELL, A.C.A., Receiver. [7074]

IN H.B.M. CONSULAR COURT AT AMOY.

BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION
No. 3 of 1928.

In the Matter of TAIT & COMPANY, Debtors.

WHEREAS An Order dated 16th OCTOBER, 1928, was made against the above Debtors on the Petition of JAMES LARDEN BROMFIELD representing himself to be the Sole Partner.

And Whereas it now appears that FREDERICK BROUGHAM MARSHALL is still a Partner in the Debtor Firm.

Now upon concurrence of the said FREDERICK BROUGHAM MARSHALL in the said Petition.

It is ordered that the Receiving Order of 10th OCTOBER, 1928, be amended to include FREDERICK BROUGHAM MARSHALL as Partner in TAIT & COMPANY.

Dated this 26th day of November, 1928.

By the Court,
H. E. BRISTOW,
Provincial Judge [7075]

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PEARLS FOR PRESENTS—Mr. KODAKA will arrive in Hong Kong from JAPAN on DECEMBER 14th with a COLLECTION OF PEARLS. DATE OF EXHIBITION AT KOMOR'S will be announced later. [588]

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The Daily Press

Hong Kong, DECEMBER 8th, 1928.

"BLUE PRINTS" OF WAR AND PEACE.

AMERICAN advocates of naval expansion are astonished and indignant. President COOLIDGE, in his retiring Message to Congress, has requested that no date be fixed for laying down the projected fifteen new cruisers. While the President would like to see the Bill passed for the construction of these ships, he does not wish the work to be undertaken forthwith. This attitude appears to conflict with the tone of his address on Armistice Day, and the "big navy" men in the United States complain that if the date for commencing their naval construction is left to the discretion of the Chief Executive, their project for extending American cruiser strength will be reduced to nothing. The United States will have an efficient navy, but instead of being on the water ready for action, it will repose indefinitely in a drawer at the Navy Department in the form of a collection of blue-prints!

It is easy to understand the disappointment of the "big navy" men at the President's recommendation. Earnest advocates of international peace are equally disappointed that the blue-prints elaborately prepared for carrying out disarmament have been poked away in pigeon-holes and forgotten. President COOLIDGE himself must have some pungent things in his mind when he recalls what happened to various blue-prints submitted by himself for examination by the Naval Powers at Geneva. Then there were the Anglo-French blue-prints for a naval compromise which completely ignored America's views about the limitation of cruisers. Examination of these

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famous plans—which allowed France to have a free hand in building submarines—resulted in American experts coming to the conclusion that these particular blue-prints were deliberately drawn with the object of torpedoing American efforts to bring about parity in cruisers. Latest reports from Washington indicate that Mr. KELLOGG has an idea that Great Britain is about to resume discussion of this vexed question of cruiser tonnage. We hope he is right, and we hope the discussion will lead to definite results being reached. Anglo-American relations are not so friendly as they should be—and the responsibility is not all on one side of the Atlantic.

The blue-prints of the proposed Anglo-French naval compromise have been dropped into the waste-paper basket, but the Kellogg Pact blue-prints are still on the tables of the various international experts to whom they were submitted for approval. There seems to be a difference of opinion as to the original intention of the Kellogg Pact. It is understood that President COOLIDGE meant it to be taken as an assurance that although his country could not join the League of Nations, it would in a crisis—act with the League, or certainly not against it. Further, in the event of an international dispute, the United States would expect to be consulted before, and not after, hostilities had begun. In other words, the United States would be practically an effective partner with the League, though not actually a member of it. Mr. KELLOGG's blue-prints, however,

did not meet with a very favourable reception on the other side of the Atlantic, and although eventually initiated it is doubtful what the plan would be worth if the time came to put it into operation.

Something seems to have gone wrong, too, with the Locarno Agreement. The blue-prints prepared prior to the signature of that compact pledged Britain to defend France if attacked by Germany, or Germany if attacked by France. The old Anglo-French entente was supposed to have been dissolved—yet about a month ago Lord CUSHENDEN (then acting as Foreign Secretary), in denying the suggestion that a new Anglo-French entente had been formed, declared that the old one had never been dissolved! Next day the Prime Minister said there had been no abandonment of the impartiality and conciliation which Britain assumed at the signing of the Locarno Pact. How, then, can an Anglo-French entente exist, or persist? Our interests and our inclinations alike prompt us to preserve and even strengthen the cordiality of our relations with Germany as well as with France, declared Mr. BALDWIN—but how this frank statement can be made to fit in with Lord CUSHENDEN's references the previous day to the continuance of the old Anglo-French entente is more than we can say.

There is now a lively three-cornered controversy going on concerning the continued presence of Allied troops in the Rhineland. The blue-prints of the Versailles Treaty are being closely scrutinized in London, Paris, and Berlin, and strangely different conclusions have been reached as a result of those examinations. At the last Assembly of the League of Nations Germany put forward a claim for a immediate evacuation of the Rhineland. France refused to discuss

the demand on its merits; but indicated that if Germany would help France to settle with America by selling her reparations bonds, evacuation of the Rhineland would follow. Apparently there has been some untoward hitch in carrying out this arrangement—and apparently the "Locarno Spirit" has evaporated, for the cables tell us that M. BRIAND declared France must act with her former Allies in dealing with the problems ahead, and Sir AUGUSTIN CHAMBERLAIN very plainly tells Germany that the provisions of the Peace Treaty have not yet been carried out to the extent which warrants a request for the withdrawal of foreign troops from the Rhineland. France and Italy, too, are having a little armament race between them on the Alpine ranges. The French Minister for War declares that France will match Italy's frontier fortifications "gun for gun"—which is scarcely in keeping with the Locarno spirit of peace. Altogether, then, the international situation generally is not at all reassuring, and we can appreciate the irritation of the "big navy" men, in all countries at any development which checks their ambitions. At the same time, we must be grateful to President COOLIDGE for suggesting that the blue-prints for the fifteen new American cruisers be kept in cold storage for awhile. If acted upon, it will at least give an opportunity for further talk on the subject of reducing naval armaments—talk which let us hope will not be everlasting, as Mr. BRITTON calls it, but will proceed slowly but surely in the direction of securing world peace.

News and Views.

The date of the Oxford and Cambridge boat race has been fixed for Saturday, March 23rd, and will be rowed at noon.

Fourteen cases of small-pox, twelve from Kowloon and two from Victoria were recorded on Thursday. One case of diphtheria and one of enteric were also notified.

The bodies of 3 children were recovered yesterday from the Harbour by police launches, and sent to the Kowloon Mortuary. It is suspected that the children died from small-pox.

Owing to illness Captain A. W. Austin, M.C., was not present at the meeting of the Referees' Association at the Chaplain's Hut, Seaview, yesterday. His lecture on organization and administration of football will be given at a later date.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton, the Kowloon Magistrate, has received many enquiries about the cat which disturbed the serenity of the Court from its prison in the ceiling. He informed the Press yesterday that the animal had been safely rescued and was quite happy.

A public car, No. 230, in charge of an Indian driver, was destroyed early yesterday morning by fire which broke out in the radiator and spread to the body of the vehicle. The car was returning from Aberdeen and caught fire near the Chinese Cemetery at Pokfulam.

The tramway standard in the middle of the roadway opposite the Naval Yard gate received a hard knock from a public motor-car yesterday forenoon and its base was badly damaged. A Dodge car, No. 234, was responsible, and this vehicle was also damaged. It was stated that the driver of the car disappeared after crashing into the post.

A Chinese named Kwok Chuen, age 64 years, attempted to commit suicide by jumping off the Star Ferry boat Golden Star while crossing from Kowloon to Hong Kong. The man was fortunately rescued by a naval yard picket boat which was passing at the time, and was taken back on the ferry boat. The man is now at the Kowloon Hospital.

The many friends of Dr. Eva Ho Tung (daughter of Sir Robert Ho Tung), who graduated from this University in December, 1928, will be glad to learn that she has recently gained another distinction by passing the examination for the Membership of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (M.R.C.P.I.). We believe this is the first time that such an honour has been conferred on a Chinese lady, and we congratulate her on her success.

Lieut.-Colonel C. E. F. Rich, Governor of Walton Prison, Liverpool, some time ago decided to allow the younger prisoners to play football, not only among themselves but against local teams. The results were regarded as so satisfactory that the match has become a weekly feature of the prison life. Colonel Rich states that his chief idea in introducing football into the prison routine was to endeavor to bring a spirit of healthy sportsmanship into the lives of the inmates. The players were invariably youngsters who were in the prison, if not for a course of Borstal treatment, at least more for that kind of treatment than as convicts. "We organize football matches among the lads themselves," he added, "and occasionally I invite an outside team to come and play against them. It gives pleasure to both sides."

The Manchester University Union recently debated the proposition "That this house has more confidence in the psychologist than the physician." When the question was finally put to a vote the result was a tie. The President tactfully promised to give his casting vote after an interval of twelve months, and adjourned the house. The supporters of the motion relied mainly on the somewhat Spinozistic argument that the physician attended only to the body, but the psychologist to the whole man; and that therefore the psychologist must be the more considerable person. Their relation was compared to that of the mechanic and the engineer. The attack was ingeniously turned by the suggestion that psychology was not a science but a group of sciences, all of which could not be mastered by one man. An amendment of no confidence in either calling was negatived.

Seventy-five per cent. of America's business-men are said to frequent hairdressers' parlours for permanent waves. Members of the London Stock Exchange who have been proved for playing golf on Saturday may now find some comfort in the thought that when they are on the links the American rival who is quoted as an example of 100 per cent. industry is probably in the beauty parlour getting his hair waved. Of course, the addicts make out that crimped locks are in the interests of big business, but vanity is more like the real motive. The hairdresser has to help in perhaps the most surprising part of the whole business. One would have expected that a man would have been able by sheer executive grip to keep his hair in curl without outside aid. Electricity ought not to be needed; the Napoleon of commerce ought to be equal to waving his own hair by mere mental concentration.

COLONY'S WATER SUPPLY.

STILL STORAGE FOR SIX MONTHS.

33 MILLION GALLONS SAVED LAST MONTH.

The return issued by the Water Authority on December 1st shows that the total storage in the Island is 1,201.83 million gallons, compared with 1,701.25 million gallons at the same time last year.

At the end of October the storage was 1,390.23 million gallons, so the expenditure has been 188 million gallons. The consumption per head per day has been 15.3 gallons compared with 18.1 gallons in October which means a saving on an estimated population of 428,000 of 1.19 million gallons per day or 33.7 million gallons for the month.

At the present rate of expenditure there is still a six months' supply in the Colony, making allowance for evaporation and silt at the bottom of the reservoirs.

The following are the details of the return:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS.

Tytam: 9' 4" below overflow in 1927; 15' 2" below overflow this year.

Tytam Byewash: 19' 10" below overflow in 1927; 25' 6" below overflow this year.

Tytam Intermediate: Level with overflow in 1927; 0' 2" below overflow this year.

Tytam Tuk: 11' 9" below overflow in 1927; 34' 11" below overflow this year.

Wong Nei Chung: 12' 1" below overflow in 1927; 20' 7" below overflow this year.

Pokfulam: 17' 1" below overflow in 1927; 21' 9" below overflow this year.

Storage in Millions and Decimals of Gallons.

| | 1927. | 1928. |
|--------------------|----------|--------|
| Tytam | 309.86 | 268.39 |
| Tytam Byewash | 9.78 | 5.56 |
| Tytam Intermediate | 195.90 | 194.96 |
| Tytam Tuk | 1,146.55 | 707.33 |
| Wong Nei Chung | 16.52 | 9.45 |
| Pokfulam | 29.94 | 21.15 |

Total 1,701.25 1,201.83

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of November.

| | 1927. | 1928. |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Consumption | 283.83 | 196.17 |
| Estimated population | 417,080 | 427,400 |

Consumption per head per day ... 22.7 15.3

Full supply in all Rider Main Districts during November 1927 with the exception of the districts West of Eastern Street where an intermittent supply was given from November 18th to 30th, 1927. Services to houses in the Rider Main Districts were disconnected and a supply was given by public street fountains only during November 1928.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS.

Kowloon Reservoir: 8' 7" below overflow in 1927; 0' 10" below overflow this year.

Shekai-pui Reservoir: 0' 5" below overflow in 1927; 1' 10" below overflow this year.

Reception Reservoir: 0' 7" below overflow in 1927.

Storage in Millions and Decimals of Gallons.

| | 1927. | 1928. |
|----------------------|--------|--------|
| Kowloon Reservoir | 928.00 | 343.84 |
| Shekai-pui Reservoir | 99.10 | 108.63 |
| Reception Reservoir | 31.61 | — |

Total 399.71 452.50

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of November.

| | 1927. | 1928. |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Consumption | 93.41 | 105.21 |
| Estimated population | 162,760 | 167,800 |

Consumption per head per day ... 19.1 20.9

Full supply in all districts during November 1927 and 1928.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory. The total rainfall to November 30th was 71.14 inches compared with 103.50 inches at the same time last year.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.10 p.m., stated:—

The anticyclone remains stationary and fresh to strong monsoon will prevail along the south-east coast of China and over the China Sea.

Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh, fine generally.

HOOVER'S TRAVELS IN CHINA.

ADVENTUROUS WEDDING TRIP.

It is well known that Herbert Hoover married in 1909, and took his bride on a wedding trip to China, where he had accepted a position with the Chinese Department of Mines. It would have been a wonderful opening for the young man if conditions in China had not been so upset, and the Boxer War had not been imminent. But no European then knew that violent reaction against Western influences was so near.

Arrived in Peking, Hoover plunged into work, which took him into Manchuria, Mongolia, Chihli, Shan-tung and Shansi provinces. Mrs. Hoover often accompanied him on his journeys. When they were at home in Peking, they entertained and were entertained by the other foreign residents of Peking and Tientsin, and Hoover got his first acquaintance in the seamy side of international intrigue.

Active in Siege of Tientsin.

He was recalled from one of his trips by the illness of Mrs. Hoover, who was suffering from an attack of influenza. Hoover took her to Tientsin where there was a good European doctor, and so it happened that when the Boxer War broke out, Hoover and his wife were in Tientsin, where they remained during the siege. The Hoovers took an active part in defence work, and the task of properly protecting the health of the foreigners under siege.

Coal Mining Post.

When the war was over, Hoover was without a job. He was preparing to return to California, when he was offered a job with a large coal-mining company, operated by Chinese, but with foreign engineers. He undertook a trip to Europe for the company, and in December, 1900, returned to China as chief engineer for the reorganized company. The Hoovers now had their headquarters at Tong Shan, 110 miles south-east of Tientsin. The company, of which Hoover was engineering and administrative head, operated coal mines, made cement, operated canals, had interests in ocean shipping and in a railroad, 25,000 men were in its employ.

John Newberry, one of Hoover's assistants, tells an interesting story of Hoover's life in Tong Shan, which is re-told in Will Irwin's Life of Hoover.

Hoover and Newberry were returning from a winter journey to Shanghai on a steamer, and a vessel which ran for days in a storm with the passengers working the pumps. Finally the skipper ran it into Chingwantao harbour, which was full of ice cakes. Hoover and Newberry, jumping from ice-cake to ice-cake, made land and dried out their clothes at a charcoal fire in a native hut.

"Northward from this town ran a railroad to Tong Shan, some 150 miles distant. Disorganized, like everything in China at the moment, it was used only for the occasional transportation of troops. A British military train was getting up steam for a start. Hoover, explaining who they were and how they happened to be there, applied to the India-service Colonel in charge for a passage in his car. The Colonel, looking over Hoover and Newberry, observing their wrinkled clothing and four-day beards, seemed to classify them as liars and tramps. 'You may ride with the troops,' he said with an air of one who stands viruously by his race, even though the specimen in question be a low and suspected person."

Scores Off a Colonel.

They tucked themselves in among the shivering Hindu soldiers. The train started, crawled, stopped. Hoover and Newberry dropped to earth and strolled forward. The engine, unrepaired since the Boxer uprising, began to break down beyond repair—at least the Hindu engineer thought so: he was resting. Hoover diagnosed the trouble, took a mechanic's hammer, and started Yankee-fashion to fix things. The Colonel, finding him at this mental occupation felt his worst suspicions confirmed. He began ordering Hoover about.

"Brother," said Hoover, "I'm the only person here present who can get you out of this fix. Any more of your lip, and I leave you where you are." The Colonel spluttered; but he retired to his own private car.

Jury repairs completed, they started again. They had crawled a few miles more when they came to another halt—the engine simply could not keep up sufficient steam to pull the heavy train over the grade. The Colonel, by messenger, ordered his unknown passengers to make more repairs. Thereupon Hoover and Newberry uncoupled the engine and sent word back to the Colonel that they would run it down the track and look for help. They kept on running 150 miles into Tong Shan, where they notified the British authorities of this hitch in troop movements. The Colonel and his regiment remained as they were for twenty-four hours. Next week, this same force marched into Tong Shan—in which Hoover was a king-demanding billets. "Well, we'll give you a house and keep you warm," said Hoover to the Colonel, "which is more than you would do for us."

IMPORTANT VISIT TO CHINA.

JAPANESE ENVOY SETS OUT.

INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

Tokyo, Dec. 7th. The departure for Shanghai of Mr. Tokonami this evening is causing much conjecture, especially as he intends to meet the leading Nationalists and afterwards to proceed to Manchuria. There is reason to believe that Baron Tanaka will listen to any suggestions he may make after his return, and Baron Tanaka may modify his China policy accordingly for the purpose of ensuring the support of Tokonami's Shinto Party during the coming session of the Diet, thus ensuring a Government majority.

It is believed that Mr. Tokonami would like to see Japan supporting the Nationalists in return for the recognition of Japan's predominant economic interests in Manchuria.

JAPANESE LOANS.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, Dec. 7th. Mr. T. V. Soong told Chinese Pressmen yesterday that as the result of the recent negotiations concluded with Mr. Yada, China would recognise the Nishikawa Loan and from the beginning of next year a sum of \$5,000,000 would be allotted from the increased Customs receipts for the purpose of re-arranging the loan service. Hereafter each year \$1,000,000 would be added to the original sum for the payment of interest and principal.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, Dec. 7th. Dr. C. T. Wang has reported the latest trend of diplomatic affairs in the following statement: "No progress has been made at present in the Sino-Japanese diplomatic conditions although informal discussions are still going on. The Nationalist Government will not conclude a treaty with Japan similar to the new Sino-Italian and Sino-Belgian treaties unless Japan can surrender to China the control of Dairen and Port Arthur, withdraw Japanese troops from Manchuria, recognise China's Customs autonomy and renounce her consular jurisdiction in China."

"Negotiations with Denmark for the revision of the Sino-Danish treaty will soon commence in view of the fact that the Danish Minister has arrived at Shanghai and will proceed to Nanking."

OPIUM SMUGGLING IN THE CONCESSIONS.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, Dec. 7th. The Nanking Opium Suppression Committee held a meeting yesterday. Discussions were mainly devoted to the Shanghai opium case. It was considered that opium smuggling was still prevalent in the foreign concessions at Shanghai and it was decided to send a special commission to investigate the real condition before asking the Foreign Ministry to take up the matter with the Shanghai Municipal authorities.

WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 7th. An earlier message that Yen Hsi Shan had arrived at Nanking was an official statement to Reuters, but it is now stated that up to a late hour this evening Yen Hsi Shan had not arrived.

This afternoon Pukow Railway officials stated that Yen was not travelling on Sir Miles Lampson's train, but was behind the British Minister. Later the same officials stated that there was no news of Yen's train and his whereabouts were unknown.

BANDITS ACTIVE NEAR KALGAN.

LARGE PUNITIVE FORCE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEKING, Dec. 7th. A message from Kalgan states that the region between Kalgan and Dolon is dangerously infested with bandits. There are mostly ex-soldiers, but include bands of Mongols who are seriously interfering with the motor traffic from Kalgan.

The Chinese authorities are sending a mobile force of 5,000 accompanied by forty armoured cars to suppress the bandits.

LAMPSON ARRIVES AT NANKING.

C. T. WANG'S BANQUET.

INTERVIEW WITH CHIANG KAI SHEK.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

NANKING, Dec. 7th. Sir Miles Lampson arrived at Pukow this afternoon and was met by the British consular officials, Mr. C. T. Wang and others. Sir Miles Lampson held a short conference with Mr. Wang aboard the train after which both crossed to Nanking aboard H.M.S. Cockchafer.

To-night Mr. Wang was the host at a large banquet at which Sir Miles Lampson and the Swedish Chargé d'Affaires, who is now in Nanking, were the guests of honour. Chiang Kai Shek and the Presidents of the Five Yuans are expected to be present to-morrow, when Sir Miles will call upon Marshal Chiang Kai Shek. On Monday Sir Miles is holding his first formal meeting with C. T. Wang.

COATES GOVERNMENT RESIGNS.

NEW ZEALAND'S PROBLEM.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WELLINGTON, Dec. 7th. The Coates Government has resigned as a result of the defeat of the Government by 50 votes to 33 on a motion of non-confidence proposed by Mr. Ward of the United Party, in which Labour joined.

REPLY TO GERMANY'S NOTE.

BRITAIN CONSIDERS FRENCH SUGGESTIONS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSBY, Dec. 7th. The British Government yesterday received the French Government's suggestions for a draft reply to be sent to the German note of October 30th in connection with the setting up of a committee of experts to inquire into a complete and definite settlement of the reparations problem. These suggestions, which have been made in the light of the views of other Governments recently communicated to M. Poincaré, are now being carefully considered by the appropriate departments of the British Government.

STATE OWNERSHIP OF CABLES.

BILL ATTACKED IN COMMONS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSBY, Dec. 7th. Progress was made last night in the House of Commons with the committee stage of the Imperial Telegraphs Bill, which is intended to give effect to the recommendations of the Imperial Wireless and Cable Conference for the merging of Beam wireless and cable services, and to-day's session is being mainly devoted to "further consideration of the clauses of the Bill."

On behalf of the Labour Party it was again objected that the proposal was an unfair bargain for the State, which, it was contended, should have continued the control of Empire telegraphic communications. The Postmaster-General pointed out that if the Labour Party were in office they would have found themselves unable to give effect to a scheme of fusion under Government control, for the decision did not rest with the British Government alone, and the Dominion Governments concerned were against State ownership.

HINKLER'S PRAISE OF AERO ENGINE.

THRILLS OF AUSTRALIAN FLIGHT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSBY, Dec. 7th. Squadron Leader Bert Hinkler at the Royal Aeronautical Society last night discussed some of his experiences during his memorable flight to Australia in 1931 days, when he flew throughout on an Avro Avian light aeroplane with only a 38 h.p. Cirrus engine. He paid a handsome tribute to his aircraft and engine, which had already covered 15,000 miles before he left England, and which had covered some 40,000 miles without so far as he could see any deterioration.

GOVERNOR OF PANAMA CANAL.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 6th. Colonel H. Burgess is succeeding Colonel M. L. Walker, the retiring Governor of the Panama Canal.

TOWN AND COUNTRY OPPOSED.

MUTUAL ENMITY IN RUSSIA.

"EXPLOSION" FEARED.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

RIGA, Dec. 6th.

Speaking at a Communist Conference at Leningrad to-day, M. Rykoff referred at considerable length to the danger of a possible breach between town and village owing to the inability of one to supply the needs of the other.

He said that although the population of Russia was increasing by 3,000,000 annually, the present cultivated area was less than in 1913, while the average yield was ten per cent. below that of the years before the War.

Peasants only sold sufficient grain to cover the taxes and were not inclined to provide more as the towns failed to supply the villages with industrial products.

M. Rykoff expressed the fear that the danger of an "explosion of the entire scheme and system of industrialisation" is acute.

[The Pravda in an article published last month said that certain food difficulties were probable in the coming year, owing to the complication of transportation of grain, and the greater consumption of foodstuffs in cities and country districts. These difficulties have necessitated the importation of grain in the last quarter of the past business year. Certain difficulties are also experienced in other food products such as vegetables, oil and butter. However, the difficulties are now considerably alleviated, though not entirely overcome. The Pravda declared:—

"Elementary economy and the rational use of the deficient foodstuffs will help to soothe and often completely solve the difficulties."

The economic problem of 1930 includes an increase of grain production by 10 per cent. through the mechanizing of the agricultural processes, developing the production by the use of mineral manure, extending the sowing area by 7 per cent. investing 180,000,000 roubles in the collective organisation and also state farms, and stimulating individual farming by raising the price of grain.

Special efforts have been made to relieve the fuel shortage, and Moscow will receive wood sufficient to meet the needs of the winter months.]

DISCUSSION OF CRUISER TONNAGE.

KELLOGG'S EXPECTATION.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6th. Mr. Frank Kellogg, the Secretary of State, has declared that although he has not received any communication from Britain, he would not be surprised if Britain sought to reopen negotiations with the United States for an understanding on the question of cruiser tonnage.

Mr. Kellogg is optimistic on the subject, but says he is not yet aware of any definite move.

DISINFECTING PLANT EXPLOSION.

WIDE DAMAGE IN NEW YORK.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 6th. Four people were killed and six injured, whilst fifteen are missing, as the result of an explosion in a disinfecting plant near East River, between Long Island Sound and New York Harbour.

The windows of houses a hundred yards away were broken as a result of the explosion.

CHAMBERLAIN'S DEPARTURE.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

RUSSBY, Dec. 6th. According to present arrangements, Sir Austen Chamberlain will leave London on Saturday afternoon to attend the League Council meeting at Lugano.

WIDESPREAD FLOODS IN SMYRNA.

HOUSES UNDER WATER.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

Widespread devastation and loss of life, not yet fully estimated, have been caused by floods in Smyrna.

The lower part of the town is submerged to a depth of over five feet, whilst the basements and lower stories of dwelling-houses are awash.

Residents of the affected area became panic-stricken and took refuge on roofs and tree-tops. A number of houses have collapsed.

KING'S RESTFUL SLEEP.

THE PRINCES' RETURN.

KIT ABANDONED IN HASTY DEPARTURE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 6th.

It was authoritatively stated at four o'clock this afternoon that the King's condition had shown no change since the morning, when the bulletin reported a lower temperature, a slight general improvement, and the localisation of the infection, though it remained severe.

At 8.30 p.m. the following bulletin, signed by Sir Stanley Hewett, Sir Farquhar Buzzard, Sir Humphry Rolleston and Lord Dawson, was posted on the Palace railings:—

"The King's general condition remains the same as this morning. The localisation of the infection at the base of the right side of the chest is rather more defined which conforms to the progress of the illness during the last two days."

A reassuring interpretation is placed on the morning bulletin, supported by the later news, the Royal Household drawing attention to the omission of any suggestion of anxiety concerning the heart.

The appearance of the bulletin on the Palace railings brightened the faces of the thousands of watchers, who had assembled as usual in spite of a drizzling rain, succeeded by a heavy fog.

Owing to the bad conditions last night, the Palace electricians installed special apparatus to prevent the fog from penetrating the double windows of the sick-room.

GOOD BULLETIN.

LONDON, Dec. 7th.

The bulletin issued at 11.30 this morning states that the King had some restful sleep, and his general strength is maintained. A further investigation of the right side of the chest will be undertaken during the day.

STANLEY HEWETT, DAWSON OF PENN.

No significance is attached to the late issue of the morning bulletin. It is authoritatively stated that the bulletin is definitely regarded as good. One of the doctors is at present concentrating his attention on the infection of the right side.

Sir Godfrey Thomas, principal private secretary to the Prince of Wales, has left for Brindisi to meet the Prince. Sir Godfrey is conveying a complete outfit of clothing as the Prince in his rush home is almost without kit.

Queen Drives Out.

The crowds at the Palace gates to-day were eager, not merely to read the bulletins, but to see whether the Queen drove out, and when Her Majesty, accompanied by Princess Mary, drove out of Buckingham Palace, a wonderful greeting was accorded, the Queen smiling and waving in response.

Indication that there is some relief from anxiety in Royal circles is afforded by the official announcement that Princess Mary now hopes to carry out her engagements at Northampton on Saturday afternoon, the abandonment of which had been contemplated.

The Royal Christmas is usually spent quietly at Sandringham, but it is now arranged that the Queen and Princess Mary will remain at Buckingham Palace.

The "Lancet" Statement.

The Lancet reviewing the progress of the King's illness in its issue to-day, says:—

"As unfounded conjecture is not impossible, we offer the following information being authorised to say that the essential facts are correct."

"As early as possible, a blood culture was taken and the result was positive, the organism grown being coccal in character."

"Blood counts have shown leucocytosis of the polymorphonuclear variety."

"Radiology has been useful and the clear pictures obtained have confirmed the clinical evidence that the lower two-thirds of the right lung was the area involved."

"There is, up to the present, no appreciable pleural effusion, but the plastic pleurisy described in the bulletins has unfortunately extended to the diaphragm."

"At the time of writing, the physical signs in the chest have diminished and the corresponding local symptoms have improved."

"Pleural effusion, however, may still develop as there is still oedema and flow."

The Lancet also makes reference to the anxious problem presented by a strain in the heart muscle in a patient over sixty years of age.

MAIL ROBBERY IN LONDON.

HAUL OF TEN THOUSAND POUNDS.

THIEVES HIDDEN IN VAN?

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 6th.

Postal officials are concerned over the mysterious disappearance of a mail bag, containing registered letters and bank drafts, which was one of a batch brought by mail train from Cardiff to London.

The missing bag contained letters and drafts valued at £10,000, and there is no doubt that it has been stolen.

No bags were missing when the train arrived at Paddington Station, and the police are of the opinion that the thieves concealed themselves in the mail van between Paddington and Mount Pleasant Sorting Office, during which time they managed to extract the letters and drafts.

An empty mail bag has been recovered.

THE SINGAPORE BASE.

REPORTED CHANGES DENIED.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 6th.

The Admiralty denies that any change of policy is in contemplation with regard to the Singapore Naval Base.

It adds that the report that a change is impending can only be attributed to a belated reference to the Government's acceptance of the scheme of retarded progress with the Base which was announced by the First Lord of the Admiralty when introducing the Navy Estimates in Parliament on March 14th, 1927.

The Prince of Wales is hurrying towards home on board H.M.S. Enterprise, which is expected to reach Suez early on Saturday morning. The Prince will travel by train to Cairo with Lord Lloyd, rejoining Enterprise the same evening at Port Said, or if Enterprise is not ready, H.M.S. Froisher, which is specially waiting at Alexandria.

The Italian authorities have arranged for a train and steamship to wait the Prince's arrival at Brindisi.

Duke Reaches Capetown.

The Duke of Gloucester, the third son of His Majesty, is at present hastening to Capetown by special train to catch the homeward-bound liner Balmoral Castle, which, if necessary, will be held up for him at Capetown, and which will make the fullest possible speed to Southampton.

The locomotive pulling the Royal train broke down just before reaching Bulawayo, and the Duke and his Equerry assisted in the work of repair.

The train afterwards steamed into Bulawayo having set up a record time in spite of the mishap. The Duke shook the driver's grimy hand, congratulating him on his smart work, adding "I shall remember all my life."

The Duke of Gloucester arrived at Capetown in the early morning yesterday. He sailed aboard the Balmoral Castle in the afternoon.

Remarkable Welcomes.

Wherever possible the people of South Africa, English, Dutch, black and white alike, have accorded the Duke of Gloucester remarkable and unreserved welcomes during his dash to Capetown. As an instance at Beaufort West, the capital of Karroo, a crowd collected at the railway station, headed by the town clerk, a veteran Dutchman, who conveyed their greetings and sympathy, and dwelt on the honour he felt in welcoming other Royalty on various occasions. Natives formed a picturesque background to the demonstration of loyalty.

At intervals through the long railway journey from North Rhodesia the Duke descended from the train to take walking exercise. To his regret it was night when the train passed the Boer war battlefields.

His staff state that the Duke's greatest feat on his hugging trip was the bagging of a black manded lion.

Worldwide Interest.

Messages from all over the world evince the keenest sympathy, and special prayers for the King are being recited all over the Empire.

The Pope has ordered that he be kept continuously informed of the developments of the illness.

Editorials in the American newspapers dwell upon the profound interest American people are taking in the reports of the King's gallant fight against his illness.

The New York Herald-Tribune this morning says: "Americans have learned to understand how King George and Queen Mary have endeavored themselves to their subjects all the other signatories were prepared to do."

HUGE SWINDLE IN BURMA.

OVER £500,000 INVOLVED.

HONG KONG BANK LOSSES.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

RANGOON, Dec. 6th.

A gigantic swindle in which the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, thought to be losers to the extent of approximately \$330,000, are one of the lightest sufferers, is alleged against one of the most prominent Chinese merchants in Burma, a former member of the Legislative Council and a leading public man, named Keng Beng Choung.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Keng Beng Choung, who was a partner in the Beng Huat Company, rice merchants, at the instance of the Netherlands Bank, Lloyd's Bank and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, who have alleged that he cheated them to the extent of 78 lakhs of rupees.

According to the allegations of the banks, Keng Beng Choung obtained credit advances against the deposit of delivery orders for ready stock rice which was never in existence.

The banks mentioned applied to the High Court on September 7th, to have the Beng Huat firm adjudicated insolvent, and when the case was heard the Netherlands Bank claimed to be a creditor to the extent of £370,000, Lloyd's Bank to the extent of £240,000 and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank to the extent of £233,000.

"VESTRIS" DISASTER INQUIRY.

REPORTS BY EXPERTS.

LACK OF LEADERSHIP.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 6th. The reports of Capt. McConkey and Capt. Jessop do not confirm the sensational and exaggerated stories as to mutiny, cowardice and disorder aboard the Vestris. Both agree that the S.O.S. should have been sent about six hours earlier.

Captain McConkey is very reticent and does not fix responsibility on anybody, but he states that the lifesaving equipment was not fully or efficiently used. He is of opinion that women and children were lost owing to a misinterpretation of the rule "women and children first" and says that this means "first in their respective boats" and not all in the first boats to leave the ship.

Jessop criticises the "lack of leadership aboard the Vestris" and says there was no sign of any organisation in the loading and lowering of the lifeboats.

CLEARING HOUSE FOR INFORMATION.

EMPIRE AGRICULTURAL SCHEME.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSBY, Dec. 6th. Mr. L. M. S. Amery, Dominions Secretary, stated in the House of Commons to-day that meetings of representatives of various parts of the Empire had recently been held in London to consider schemes for the establishment, on an inter-Imperial basis, of a clearing house of information on various branches of agricultural subjects, as recommended by the Imperial Conference.

The recommendations had not, however, yet been received by the Government, so that he could not give details.

PROHIBITION OF POISON GAS.

ONLY SIX STATES RATIFY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSBY, Dec. 6th. Mr. G. Locker-Lampson, Foreign Under-Secretary, stated in the House of Commons to-day that the Geneva Protocol prohibiting the use of poison gas in war had been ratified by only six States.

The British Government were not prepared to ratify the Protocol unless all the other signatories were prepared to do so.

SAFEGUARDING FOR WOOLLENS.

UNIONS CHANGED ATTITUDE.

LABOUR M.P.'S DISAGREE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 6th.

Political circles are much interested in what appears to be a serious divergence of viewpoint on the question of "Safeguarding" between the political and industrial sections of the Labour movement, and developments are being watched with the closest attention.

On Monday, it was reported that a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Trade Unions in the wool textile trades, held at Bradford, decided to support another application by the employers for the safeguarding of dress goods under the Safeguarding of Industries Act.

A previous application, which was made in 1925, was opposed at the time by the Trade Unions.

Meeting of Labour M.P.'s.

The latest development in the matter occurred today, when a meeting of Labour Members of Parliament representing the textile constituencies of Yorkshire considered the situation created by the decision of the Trade Union to support the application by employers for a duty on certain classes of imported textile goods.

Mr. Philip Snowden, one of the leaders of the Labour Party, who was Chancellor of the Exchequer in the Labour Government and who sits for one of the textile constituencies, presided over the meeting.

Changed View Regretted.

At to-day's meeting, the M.P.'s were unanimous in regretting that the textile Unions had abandoned the attitude they took when the application for safeguarding duties on woolen goods was made and rejected in 1925. They were strongly of the opinion that a policy of protective tariffs offers no hope of dealing with the admitted present difficulties of the Yorkshire textile trade.

The meeting unanimously decided to offer uncompromising opposition to any proposal to apply Protection to the woolen industry should it come before Parliament.

FASCIST LOYALTY TO THRONE.

THE DUCE'S MESSAGE.

ROME, Nov. 3rd.

The unique spectacle in celebration of the tenth anniversary of victory prepared by the Fascist Government by bringing 65,000 rural workers from every part of the country in hundreds of special trains to Rome to-day was spoiled by torrential rain at the very time when Signor Mussolini was to address the vast multitude from the steps of the tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The 65,000 men and women huddled together in the Piazza Venezia, on the Corso, on the Via Nazionale, and in all the adjoining streets were left at the mercy of a regular cloud-burst without any means or hope of shelter. They stood heroically, and Signor Mussolini began his speech, himself drenched with rain. He took refuge in the Palazzo Venezia, and addressed the crowd from the balcony. He said:—

"Rural toilers of Italy,—Rome has welcomed you with most cordial sympathy. The weather might have been more propitious, but you are accustomed to the inclemency of the seasons. Not without significance you are assembled to-day on the eve of Italy's victory at the grave of the Unknown Soldier, who, perhaps, is one of yourselves, you who fought the war in the trenches, not in the workshops."

"This Government has established security on your lands by exterminating crime in the country districts. I want the rural population to take first place in the country's economy. Nations that desert the land are nations doomed to die."

A Happy Omen.

Signor Mussolini also sent a message to King Victor expressing the unflinching homage and devotion of the Fascist Government and of the armed forces of the country to his Majesty.

"Beneath the vigorous impulse of your rule," he said, "Italy celebrates the anniversary at a time when she is full of vigour and her moral and material energies are sustained by the discipline and harmony of the whole nation, which is working towards progress and binding itself ever closer to your Majesty and your Majesty's house."

"On this day the nation remembers that your Majesty led the glorious sacrifice of the war, resisted until the end, and in 1923 wished to repurchase the victory. In those memorable events of the last ten years the Government and the people see a happy omen for the future."

MACAO RACES.

EXCELLENT SPORT PROMISED.

TWELFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING.

(By EARLY BIRD.)

An excellent programme of racing has been arranged for the Macao meeting tomorrow afternoon.

There are 18 starters in the first race, 11 in the second, 21 in the third, 14 in the fourth, 21 in the fifth, and 14 in the last. With such liberal entries in each event, big fields are assured and in consequence better finishes. Quite a number of Hong Kong ponies are entered which I am of opinion will give a very good account of themselves. Some of the ponies recently acquired by the Macao Club will be sporting silk for the first time which should give an element of uncertainty to some of the races as far as we Hong Kongites are concerned as it is almost impossible to get any information about the doings of ponies in training at Macao.

The final race for the Aggregate Stakes will be probably the best race in this event as it is rumored that the Chairman of the Macao Club, Mr. H. H. Priestley, will endeavour to revenge the defeat of his candidate by *Ma Kau Sinc* when last they met by sending out *Misty Eve*. Mr. N. Hashim will also send *My Lady* and *Sunning* in this event, which should provide a rattling good contest.

Having scored twelve points in the Stake the Cup has already been won by the owner of *Ma Kau Sinc* even if he should fail to get a place in to-morrow's event.

In future of the price of admission will be \$1 which carries free entry for one lady.

On Saturday the *King On* will leave Hong Kong at 2 p.m. instead of 3 p.m. as before. The *Teishan* will be the only steamer on Sunday and will leave the Company's Wharf at 9 a.m. returning at 5 p.m. Patrons are advised to make all haste after the last race as the steamer is bound to leave on the tick of time in order catch the tide.

CANDIDATES' CHANCES CONSIDERED.

The All Out Handicap.

For the sake of those owners who have been supporting the Club by entering ponies at every meeting but have stood little chance of winning, I am of the opinion that the Competition Committee should have inserted the clause, "for ponies who have started at two previous meetings." With the conditions as they are it seems to me that the new acquisitions to the Club will have the race to themselves. If either *Loyal Henchman*, *The Former*, *Andantino*, *Doubtful* or *Desert Wind* start in this race the winner will be found amongst them and also the second and third pony.

The Sub-Griffins Handicap.

Mowgli, one of the most consistent performers we have ever had locally looks a cinch if started in this event. I confess he has a lot of weight to carry still, he is well able to do it and he is about the most honest little plucker I have ever seen. *Loyal Henchman* should get a place if sent to the post in this event, or the *Farmer*, who, I am told, has improved wonderfully since his last run at Macao. *Caspar* should be watched although I fancy he has seen the best part of his racing days.

The Macao Handicap.

Mr. H. H. H. Priestley, the Chairman of the Club, has reaped some reward for patience with *Misty Eve* who seems to be coming to the form he has been thought capable of showing. He won in great style from *Fifty Fifty* at the last Hong Kong meeting in the very good time of 2:05 which is a most useful performance and even with a seven pound penalty over weight for inches he should score as this is not such a big weight when his convincing performance of late are taken into consideration. However, he may be reserved for the Aggregate Stakes in which case he is also a certainty. *Fanling Stag* with such a light burden may be expected to run well although I am inclined to think he is not so well since his discouraging display at Fanling last month. *Bright Prospect* can always be expected to do his best and *U. N. II.* can certainly go the distance.

The December Selling Plate.

Dr. S. To Wong has two candidates entered in this event, the best of which is *Uluater* who looks to have a very good chance of winning here, his other nomination, *Grey Eyes*, is not quite so good but should stand a chance of

getting a place if started and ridden by an experienced jockey. *Way Sinc* might also be in the picture likewise *Andantino* or *Cavalier*.

The Fifth Aggregate Stakes.

If *Misty Eve* starts here he will win. *Ma Kau Sinc* who has notched twelve points in the Cup will win in the absence of *Misty Eve*. *My Lady*'s connections have an idea that they can give *Ma Kau Sinc* a good race but I am afraid I do not share the same belief as the good looking mare is much better over sprint distances. *Sunning* who will be sent out to make the pace for her stable mate may run into a place if some of the light weights do not develop too much pace.

The December Novices Race.

Aristophanes looks to be the right candidate for this event and after his run at the Valley last week I honestly think this race is a certainty for him. *Desert Wind* may start here and as I hear he is an improved pony I would remind backers to keep on the look out for him. *Doubtful* may be fit enough to do once around and should just about secure a place if his temperament will allow him to forget that racing is his business.

SELECTIONS FOR SUNDAY.

My selections are:-

1st Race.

1. Loyal Henchman.
2. Cavalier.
3. Andantino.

2nd Race.

1. Mowgli.
2. The Farmer.
3. Caesar.

3rd Race.

1. Misty Eve.
2. U. N. II.
3. Bright Prospect.

4th Race.

1. Uluater.
2. Andantino.
3. Grey Eyes.

5th Race.

1. Misty Eve, or Ma Kau Sinc.
2. My Lady.
3. Sunning.

6th Race.

1. Aristophanes.
2. Chama.
3. Desert Wind.

GOLF.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9th.

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| 9.25 a.m. | R. H. Hollis and K. S. Robertson. |
| 9.30 | J. M. Walker and A. E. Lissaman. |
| 9.35 | A. T. Lay and O. E. O. Marton. |
| 9.40 | T. L. Christie and F. J. de Rome. |
| 9.45 | H. H. Lennox and A. H. Ferguson. |
| 9.50 | I. W. Shewan and T. G. Bennett. |
| 9.55 | D. G. G. MacDonald and L. R. Andrews. |
| 10.00 | L. Yates and E. Stone. |
| 10.04 | H. G. Howard and J. M. Norrie. |
| 10.08 | E. R. Hallifax and A. R. Raworth. |
| 10.12 | E. Davidson and C. B. Johnson. |
| 10.16 | F. A. Merry and Major Reamish. |
| 10.20 | A. Leach and A. B. Purves. |
| 10.24 | J. Coulthart and G. W. Jeffries. |
| 10.28 | A. R. Cox and D. M. Goodall. |
| 10.32 | J. S. Dykes and W. A. Weight. |
| 10.36 | T. Grant and J. Cameron. |
| 10.40 | W. J. Clark and E. D. Lawrence. |
| 10.44 | D. L. MacWhister and N. K. Littlejohn. |
| 10.48 | B. J. Lacon and V. Benjamin. |
| 10.52 | N. L. Smith and H. U. Ireland. |
| 10.56 | K. L. Dugan and H. A. Lammont. |
| 11.00 | J. P. Sherry and R. J. J. Sneddon. |
| 11.04 | T. F. Chubb and J. D. Humphreys. |
| 11.08 | H. D. Browne and M. M. Maas. |
| 11.12 | C. P. Ross and H. Spicer. |
| 11.16 | J. D. Thomson and G. H. Wilson. |
| 11.20 | S. T. Butlin and W. J. S. Key. |
| 11.24 | L. Garner and G. W. Garrett. |
| 11.28 | W. C. Clark and T. A. Martin. |
| 11.32 | J. Gardner and A. Webster. |

THE ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR LAST YEAR.

The report to be submitted to the members of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club at the general meeting which is to be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Monday, December 17th, at 5.30 p.m., states that during the period October 1st, 1927, to September 30th, 1928, 73 resident members and 28 members of the Junior Section joined the Club, the membership now standing as follows:-

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| Honorary Members | 3 |
| Life Members | 4 |
| Full Members | 444 |
| Restricted Members | 43 |
| Non-Playing Members | 29 |
| Absent Members | 67 |
| Naval-Subscribers | 61 |
| Military Subscribers | 62 |
| Total | 1,123 |
| Junior Section:- | |
| Resident Members | 95 |
| Absent Members | 35 |
| Total | 1,253 |

In addition 379 ladies are registered as being granted the use of the Courses and Club Houses.

The Competitions.

The Championship (1927) was won by Mr. L. R. Andrews, the runner-up being Mr. B. M. Smith.

Other competitions resulted as follows:-

Jasper Clark Cup (1927), Capt. I. D. Erskine.
Captain's Cup (1927), Mr. D. Forbes.
Shanghai Visitors' Cup (1928), Dr. E. W. Kirk.
Governor's Shield (1927), Asiatic Petroleum Co. (Messrs. R. D. E. Pendered and E. Young).
Junior Championship (1928), Mr. D. G. Bruce.

Happy Valley Championship (1928) was not played.

A Triangular Interport Match at Fanling in February, 1928, resulted as follows:-The Club lost to Shanghai, but beat Manila. Manila beat Shanghai.

The following served on the General Committee:-Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E. (Captain), Messrs. G. S. Archibut, L. G. S. Dodwell, J. W. Frazer, L. Kinnaird, G. D. Lambert, E. S. Morrison, T. D. E. Pendered, O. L. Sandes and A. B. Stewart.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Peter Smith, Seth & Fleming, who find them correct and recommend them for re-election.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

The following games in the Hong Kong League are down for decision to-day:-

Division I.

Kick-off 4 p.m.

K.O.S.B. v. Club de Recreo, King's Park ground. Referee: Bdmr. Kerlake.
China Athletic v. Hong Kong Police, Hong Kong F.C. ground. Referee: P.C. Cowan.
R.A. v. Hong Kong F.C. Sookunpoo ground. Referee: W. Eager Barber.
Royal Navy v. Small Units, Caroline Hill ground. Referee: Mr. F. Smith.

Division II.

Kick-off 2.30 p.m.

Royal Navy Reserves v. Small Units Reserves, Royal Navy ground. Referee: T. G. Stokes.
China Athletic Res. v. K.O.S.B. Res., Hong Kong F.C. ground. Referee: S. Sergt. Gilmour.
South China "B" v. Eastern F.C. Sookunpoo ground. Referee: Lea-Sea. Hatwell.
South China "A" v. St. Joseph's, South China ground. Referee: C.P.O. Craig.
Kowloon F.C. Res. v. Club de Recreo Res., Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: E.R.A. Anderson.

The League games to be played by the Queen's Regt. to-day, have been postponed owing to Regimental Sports at Kwan Ti Training Camp.

The crowd will travel to the Hong Kong F.C. ground to-day to witness the senior game between the Hong Kong Police and China Athletic. The meetings of these teams are looked forward to for the Police always run the Athletic very close and interest will be added to to-day's game by the Police winning against the Queen's Regiment last week. The Athletic will be out to secure the points as they are dropping down the League table. The scoring will be low and the game a struggle between the Athletic forwards and the Police defence.

At King's Park, the Club de Recreo meet the K.O.S.B. The Military team is settling down, although Torrie does not make up the attack like Campbell. Reeves is a tower of strength, while Stock and McGlinchey give him every assistance.

The Recreo players are in and out this season. They have been hard hit to field the same team in two consecutive matches. Last week they shared eight goals with the Athletic without the brothers Gosano. It is expected that A. Gosano will lead the attack to-day. The K.O.S.B. expected to take the points.

At Sookunpoo, the R.A. receive the Club. This game should be keenly contested and the Club should repeat their last week result when they beat the Navy.

At Caroline Hill, the Navy receive the Small Units. The Units have yet to secure their first win.

Only five games are to be played in the Junior division this week. The University, through failing to fulfil their fixtures have been struck out of the League.

The game on the H.K.F.C. ground will be a good curtain raiser for the senior game to follow. The Athletic and K.O.S.B. Reserves meet for the first time this season and as both teams have done well to date, a good game is expected. The K.O.S.B. will be out to take the points, while the Athletic will be at full strength. There will be little between the teams when the final whistle sounds.

The game on the Navy ground at Happy Valley should be interesting as the Small Units have done well lately. The Navy will be below usual strength owing to the absence of the *Hermes*.

South China "B" meet the Eastern F.C. at Sookunpoo and the latter should annex the points.
At Caroline Hill, South China "A" meet St. Joseph's and "A" is expected to take full points from the College team.

Kowloon receive the Club de Recreo on the Kowloon F.C. ground and a keen game should end in favour of the home team.

LOCAL FOOTBALL DISPUTE.

QUEEN'S AND CHINA ATHLETIC.

BOTH SIDES PENALISED BY ASSOCIATION.

The unfortunate incident which occurred on November 17th in a junior division football match on the Chatham Road ground between the Queen's Regiment and China Athletic and caused the game to be abandoned has been under the investigation of the Hong Kong Football Association.

(Continued on next column.)



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HONG KONG LADIES' HOCKEY CLUB.

There will be an Inter-Club match to-day at Happy Valley, when the following team representing the Talkoo Section, F. Cousins, B. Laing, M. Wallace, E. Russell, E. O'Hagan, M. Russell, I. C. Bell, N. McNeillie, B. Baker, M. Hansen, J. Whyte, will play the following ladies, representing the rest of the Club:-A. Steel, E. J. Coppin, M. B. Bird, E. Tassart, J. Andrews, A. Owen-Hughes, M. J. Jarvis, P. Goodall, D. Stanion, M. Riggs, E. R. Bell.

The soldiers had established a winning lead of four goals to two when tempers were lost and two players, one on either side exchanged blows. The Chinese team then intimated to the referee that they would not proceed with the game.

At an earlier emergency meeting the Committee considered the referee's report on the game and decided to suspend Herdridge of the Queen's until April 30th, 1929. The case against the Chinese team for refusing to carry on with the game was adjourned for the attendance of the referee.

The Committee continued the enquiry last Tuesday when the referee and the captain of the Chinese team were present. It was decided to suspend the Captain of the Chinese team, Ng Po' Lau, until February 1st, 1929, and to severely censure him. The Association Secretary was also instructed to write to the Chinese Athletic Association pointing out that the Club was responsible for their players being acquainted with the rules of the game, that they must be instructed to obey the referees without question, and that should there be a repetition of this offence it will render the Club liable to expulsion from the Association.

The Emergency Committee recommended to the League Management Committee that the result of the game Queen's v. China Athletic at time of abandonment stand. This means that the Queen's will be given full points.

A SONG OF THE "DEPOSITED BOOK"

The Revised Prayer Book Controversy has been a grim and earnest affair so "a little humour on this subject will do us no harm," remarks The Dean of St. John's Cathedral in reprinted the following verses in the St. John's Cathedral Note:-

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A bring-in-the Jesuit Book,
A plainy papistical, grossly sophistical,
Most anti-scriptural Book.

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A down-with-the-Gospel Book,
A give-info-mummery, idols and hummery,
Ruin to souls new Book.

Third Chorus of Wild Men.

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A thank-you-for-nothing new Book,
A part-sentimental and part Oriental,
And part-made-in-Germany Book.

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Save-the-Establishment Book.

(The Rev. Giffet, St. Mary's Cathedral, Bathurst Street.)

CHURCH NOTICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONG KONG.

DECEMBER 9th, 1928—2nd Sunday in Advent:-
Choral Evensong at 8 a.m.
Children's Service at 10 a.m.
Peak Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Matins at 11 a.m.
Prayer:-The Dean.
Evensong at 8 p.m.
Prayer:-Rev. H. V. Koop.
Collections throughout the day will be for the British and Foreign Bible Society. [97]

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ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, KOWLOON.

SUNDAY, December 8th, 1928—2nd Sunday in Advent:-

8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10.00 a.m.—Children's Service.
11.00 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.

Prayer:-Rev. O. B. Shan, M.A. (During this service the colours of the 1st Kowloon Guides Company will be dedicated).
2.45 p.m.—Sunday School.
5.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Prayer:-The Vicar.
Offerings on this Sunday will be in aid of the work of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

WEDNESDAY, December 12th, 1928—Short Evening Prayer and Address.

LAWN TENNIS.

MISS E. LO AND M. W. LO ENTER SEMI-FINALS.

The last of the third round matches of the Open Mixed Doubles Championship, was decided yesterday afternoon on the Chinese Recreation Club courts when Miss E. Lo and M. W. Lo succeeded in entering the semi-final by beating Mrs. Lindell and M. K. Lo, the losers in their favour being 6-1, 12-10. The winners now meet Mrs. Miles and H. Owen Hughes in the semi-final.

The semi-finals will be played on Saturday, the 14th inst., and the final on the following day. All the matches take place on the Chinese Recreation Club courts.

C.C.C. v. U.S.R.C.

An interesting friendly match has been arranged for to-morrow (Continued at foot of next column.)

CRICKET.

D.B.S. v. H.K.C.C. 2nd XI.

The following will represent the Diocesan Boys' School v. the H.K. Club 2nd XI. to-day:-The Rev. W. T. Featherstone, Mr. J. L. Youngs, D. J. N. Anderson, W. H. Kwan, R. Lee, G. A. Lee, F. K. Lee, A. Frate, H. Jackson, and R. Reed. Referee: G. Winch. Scorer: A. T. Nomanboy.

This is the first occasion on which the School has played on the Club ground; they are probably the first school team to do so.

between Craigengower and the United Services Recreation Club on the former's courts at Happy Valley. Play commences at 2 p.m.

and each side will be represented by three pairs, the best out of three being played, the side securing most matches winning.

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Pres. Wilson...Sun., Dec. 30, 8 a.m.
Pres. Polk...Sun., Feb. 10, 8 a.m.
Pres. Van Buren...Sun., Jan. 13, 8 a.m.
Pres. Adams...Sun., Feb. 24, 8 a.m.

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Day at at at

2 p.m. 6 a.m. 2 p.m.

Barometer... 30.13 30.17 30.11

Temperature... 67 63 71

Humidity... 68 74 69

Wind... E E E

Direction... S S S

Force... 0 0 2

Weather... O O B

Rain... 0.00 0.00 0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 5th: 68

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B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Equally; R=Rain; T=Thunder

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From December 8th to 14th, 1928.

High Water. Low Water.

Day of Month

Time of Day

Standard Time

Height

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WALKING RACE AT SHANGHAI.

WON BY CHINESE TEAM.

FRANCE SECOND AND ENGLAND THIRD.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 3rd.

Before a crowd of over a thousand cheering spectators, who assembled at the Race Course yesterday morning to see the finish of the International Walking Competition, Y. Y. Chow of the Chinese team romped home an easy winner in the excellent time of 2 hours 37 minutes 34 seconds for 17 miles 100 yards, says the North China Daily News.

The demure looking thin framed victor was in high spirits and showed little strain after his long walk.

Second place went to W. J. Young of the Irish team who finished well behind the winner, his time being 2 hours 40 minutes 54 seconds and close behind him came H. Howard, unattached, who negotiated the distance in 2 hours 41 minutes 38 seconds.

Then came further scoring for the Chinese team when Chao Chung Chang and Ching Sun Shun finished almost abreast with W. Neugebauer, unattached, close in the rear, after which came a four minute wait until the first representative of the English team, C. A. Wright, breasted the judge's stand, with J. Remedios, Portugal, closely pressing and P. Guhur and R. Chaillan of the French team finishing in a dead heat.

Won At Tenth Mile.

The team race went to the Chinese entries composed of Ching Sun Shun, Chao Chung Chang, Y. Y. Chow and Leo Kaung Wu, with a total of 23 points, France second with 40 points and England, being forced into third place with 41 points.

Ireland, 46, Portugal 48 and the newest team entry to the competition Palestine finishing in sixth place with 90 points.

A feature of their race was that though they finished well down in the list they came in a bunch with M. Gottfried followed by A. Gottfried, I. R. Cohen and H. L. Blaiman.

For the winner it can be said that Chow won his race at the tenth mile when he passed Young of the Irish team just after crossing the junction of Hungcho Road and Warren Road and from then on was never headed.

Young, however, was always a contender for first honours and gave Chow a fine race. Howard seemed to improve as the race continued and though he was fifth at the 15th station he came up with a rush and finished in third place.

The race started at 8 a.m. on Bubbling Well Road at Carter Road along Jessfield Road, Brennan Road, Rubicon Road, Hungcho Road and wound to the finish at Avenue Pastin, Rue Lafayette, Rue de Roi Albert, Route des Soeurs and Weibaiwei Road to the turn into the race course and the judge's stand at the track side.

There were 46 entries and all finished save three. At the conclusion Mr. A. E. Stewart President of the Shanghai International Walking Competition made a short address to the throng over the radio and thanked the various officials for their co-operation as well as the contestants for the excellent sportsmanship that was a feature of the event.

Being a Scotsman he said he was sorry there was no Scots team in the race but laid their absence to the aftermath of the St. Andrew's Ball from which he said many of his countrymen had not recovered and he also said that a few years ago a strong Scots team was entered but lost the race because someone threw some copper along the track and the Scots team immediately lost all interest in the race.

The various cups were then presented by his wife Mrs. A. E. Stewart who was the recipient of a bouquet for her efforts.

Among the cups was one for the first Englishman to finish, ditto, Irishman, two for the first Chinese, two Palestine, Portuguese, a cup for the oldest competitor which went to Mr. Howard, and one for the youngest which M. Gottfried obtained.

The First Twenty.

The winners and times for the first 20 who finished follow:—

Name Team Time

1. Yu Yu Chow Chinese 2:37.34

2. W. J. Young Ireland 2:40.54

3. H. Howard unattached 2:41.39

4. Chao Chung Chang Chinese 2:42.12

5. Ching Sun Shun Chinese 2:42.17

6. W. Neugebauer unattached 2:42.54

7. C. A. Wright England 2:43.41

8. J. Remedios Portugal 2:47.33

9. P. Guhur France 2:49.02

10. R. Chaillan France 2:49.02

11. D. Murphy Ireland 2:49.27

12. L. B. S. Golds unattached 2:51.59

13. M. Fournage France 2:54.21

14. A. Green England 2:55.28

15. A. Senborn England 2:55.57

16. Yu-dien Loh China (reserve) 2:56.45

17. C. L. Gabb England 2:57.00

18. A. S. Ozorio Portugal 2:57.58

19. P. O'Connor Ireland 2:58.50

20. J. Dedun France 2:59.50

FIRE ON GLEN LINER.

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DANGER OF OIL-FUEL.

The result of the inquiry ordered by the Board of Trade into the cause of a fire which broke out on board the Glen Line steamship Carmarthenshire on July 17th, 1925, while she was proceeding down the River Thames on a voyage to the Straits, China, and Japan, was given in Court A. Judges' Quadrangle, Royal Courts of Justice. Neither the owners of the ship nor any of the officials were held responsible for the fire.

The members of the Court were Mr. J. A. R. Cairns, Engineer Rear-Admiral W. Rattey, Captain H. P. Learmont, and Engineer Lieutenant-Commander W. M. Fletcher.

At the time of the fire steam had been raised in three of the vessel's four boilers by means of coal fuel in the remaining boiler oil fuel had been used. The furnaces in all four boilers had a common stokehold, and to ascertain the advisability of the practice of burning coal and oil simultaneously in a common stokehold was one of the Board of Trade's reasons for ordering the inquiry.

Mr. Cairns, in giving judgment, said that the Court found that the fire was caused by oil leakage at the ground bushing of the burner attached to the starboard lower furnace of the after-port boiler, probably due to the slacking of the housing screw, and that the seriousness of the fire was aggravated by leakage from a defective junction pipe leading to the burners.

Responsibility for the fire did not rest with the Glen Line, Limited, nor with any of the parties cited in the inquiry, and no issue arose as to any certificates.

Answers To The Questions.

In their answers to specific questions submitted by the Board of Trade, the Court considered that the fire would have occurred had oil fuel alone been used in all the furnaces, but that it would not have occurred had coal alone been used. They considered that the risk of fire was greater when both coal and oil-burning furnaces were used at the same time in a common stokehold than when oil fuel was used alone in an oil-tight compartment from which coal ashes, firing tools, and naked lights had been excluded. In the former case risk of fire was substantially increased and might become uncontrollable when a ship was at sea.

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| AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN | "SHANGHAI" | On 11th Dec. | 3 p.m. |
| HONGKONG, SHANGHAI & HANKOW | "KUNGHOW" | On 11th Dec. | Noon |
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ARRIVALS.

December 8th.

Westland, Dutch str., 1,139 tons, Capt. A. Kuntzen, from Canton, lying at Yuenai—J.C.J.L.
 Wing Lee, Chinese str., 641 tons, Capt. F. Smith, from Kwang Chow Wan, with 410 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. C44—Yiu Yuen Co.

December 7th.

Anhui, British str., 2,060 tons, Capt. G. H. Pennefather, from Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A9—B. & S.
 Dali Maru, Japanese str., 1,204 tons, Capt. E. Yamamoto, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C14—O.S.K.

Kittawa, British str., 707 tons, Capt. R. D. Cooper, from Canton, lying at Stonecutters—Williamson.

Liangshu, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. Thomas Beer, from Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C35—B. & S.

Malaya, British str., 10,983 tons, Capt. W. A. Norman, R.N.R., from Yokohama, which port she left on November 29th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—P. & O.

Michael Jensen, Danish str., 1,343 tons, Capt. H. Spland, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C19—Chin. Seng Hong.

President Madison, American str., 3,341 tons, Capt. W. O. Kohlmeier, from Shanghai, which port she left on December 5th, with 2,170 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—A.M.L.

Soochow, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. J. A. McCulloch, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B9—B. & S.

Var, Norwegian str., 886 tons, Capt. Jens Olsen, from Bangkok, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C43—K. Larsen.

Yui Shing, British str., 1,424 tons, Capt. P. Jowitt, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B32—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

December 7th.

Benin, for Shanghai.
 Benwood, for Whomoo.

Bintong, for Bangkok.
 Ching On, for Shanghai.

Chinkiang, for Shanghai.
 Daijuku Maru, for Hongkong.

Deli Maru, for Canton.
 Hai Ning, for Swatow.

Jeypre, for Singapore.
 Liangchow, for Canton.

Malaya, for Singapore.
 Shimo Maru, No. 6, for Dairen.

Tak Hing, for Macao.
 Times Maru, for Canton.

Tippamus, for Saigon.
 Tisigreen, for Amoy.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Canada* arrived at Colombo on Thursday, December 6th, at 6 a.m., left at 4 p.m., and is due at Port Said on December 15th (Saturday) at 6 p.m.

The R.M.S. *Empress of France*, from Hong Kong on November 28th, left Yokohama on December 6th, and is due at Vancouver on December 15th.

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The following passengers are expected to-morrow from Europe per s.s. *Kashima Maru*:—Mrs. L. de Lathuy Heyndrick, Mr. C. Cruz, Mr. I. Jansson, Mr. C. Manaja, Rev. J. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Prior, Rev. P. A. Taggar, Mr. M. Villoria, Mr. and Mrs. R. Viola, Mr. J. Viola, Rev. F. D. E. Buttrill, Mr. J. W. Dearn, Rev. E. R. Fulkerson, Mr. M. Gilcher, Mr. W. A. Grindey, Miss E. M. Jensen, Rev. F. D. H. Marga, Mrs. H. E. Oveson, Miss N. Oveson, Miss M. Oveson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Purcell, Mr. and Mrs. A. Rasmussen, Miss E. Rasmussen, Miss E. F. Shekury, Mr. B. Suenson, Mr. K. Awan, Mr. M. Masul, Mr. and Mrs. Miyajima, Prof. Y. Murakami, Mr. K. Niwa, Mr. R. Noda, Mr. K. Nonogaki, Mr. and Mrs. K. Asahina, Master S. Asahina, Master T. Asahina, Mr. T. Fukumatsu, Mr. T. Goh, Dr. S. Hirayama, Mr. G. P. Lambeth, Mr. S. Mehta, Mr. T. Momosaki, Mr. K. Nozu, Mr. Y. Ohmachi.

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DAKAR MARU ... Friday, 21st Dec.

CAIRO via Singapore, Penang & Bangkok.
OYELON MARU ... Monday, 10th Dec.
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

HEAVY DROP IN IMPORTS
THROUGH CARGO REMAINS GOOD.

Sixteen arrivals and twenty-one departures were shown for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, but the general cargo discharged for this port were not as high as on the previous day. Through freights, however, remained good. Eight British arrivals and seven departures were shown.

Twelve vessels had 6,099 tons of cargo for Hong Kong and five British ships discharged 2,533 tons. The two best returns were from the s.s. *Fav* (Norwegian) with 1,900 tons of rice from Bangkok, and the s.s. *Times Maru* (Japanese) which discharged 1,400 tons of coal from Keelung.

Through freights totalled 17,103 tons. Of the ten carriers seven British carried 7,327 tons. The best carrier was the s.s. *Tokushima Maru* (Japanese) with 7,474 tons of general cargo from Calcutta and Singapore. The s.s. *Telemachus* (British) was next with 4,620 tons from Amsterdam and Singapore.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

| | Arr. | Dep. |
|-----------|------|------|
| British | 8 | 7 |
| Dutch | 1 | 1 |
| Norwegian | 1 | 3 |
| Japanese | 2 | 5 |
| Chinese | 4 | 3 |
| Total | 16 | 21 |

DETAILS OF FREIGHTS.

Empress of Russia (British) arrived from Vancouver and Shanghai with 1,026 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong.

Mantua (British) arrived from London and Singapore with 463 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong and 1,850 tons for through ports.

Telemachus (British) arrived from Amsterdam and Singapore with 507 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong and 4,620 tons for through ports.

Liang Chow (British) arrived from Shanghai and Amoy with 880 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong and 167 tons for through ports.

Tinchei (British) arrived from Canton with 50 tons of general cargo for through ports.

Chukiang (British) arrived from Tongku and Swatow with 300 tons of general cargo for through ports.

Soochow (British) arrived from Canton with 200 tons of general cargo for through ports.

Yue Shing (British) arrived from Canton with 550 tons of general cargo for through ports.

Gremier (Dutch) arrived from Amoy and Canton with 1,508 tons of general cargo for through ports.

Fav (Norwegian) arrived from Bangkok with 1,800 tons of rice for Hong Kong.

Tokushima Maru (Japanese) arrived from Calcutta and Singapore with 7,474 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong and 7,472 tons for through ports.

Times Maru (Japanese) arrived from Keelung with 1,400 tons of coal and 1,500 tons for through ports.

Wing Lee (Chinese) arrived from Fort Bayard with 410 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.
President Madison, Dec. 17th.
Australian-Oriental Line.
Chingto, to-day.
Taiping, January 4th.

Bank Line.
City of Lahore, Dec. 10th.
City of Madras, Dec. 22nd.
City of Chester, Dec. 27th.

Levenbank, January 4th.
City of Bedford, Jan. 8th.
City of Delhi, January 19th.
City of Baroda, February 1st.

Ben Line.
Benrinnes, to-morrow.
Benarly, Dec. 18th.

Blue Funnel Line.
Diomedes, Dec. 11th.
Philactetes, Dec. 11th.

Tyndareus, December 13th.
Aeneas, Dec. 15th.
Proteus, Dec. 15th.

Glaucus, December 20th.
Hector, Dec. 24th.
Thersites, Dec. 25th.

Achilles, January 8th.
Nicholson, January 8th.
Perseus, January 8th.

Talkhyas, January 8th.
Lycion, January 10th.
Sarpedon, January 10th.

Euneus, January 11th.
Automedon, January 19th.
Tydeus, January 20th.

Izion, January 20th.
Dolius, January 31st.
Keeman, January 31st.

Calchas, February 3rd.
Patroclus, February 7th.
Pheniceus, February 7th.

Autolyces, February 8th.
Demodocus, February 19th.
Hellerophon, February 20th.

Euryades, February 24th.
Troilus, February 24th.
Agapenor, Mar. 7th.

Antenor, March 7th.
British-India and Apcar Line.
Takada, December 10th.

Talaba, December 12th.
Gavana, December 17th.
Talamba, December 22nd.

Santhia, December 26th.
Tilawa, January 11th.
Takliwa, January 17th.

Canadian Pacific Line.
Empress of Asia, Dec. 20th.
Dollar S.S. Line.

President Cleveland, Dec. 10th.
President Monroe, Dec. 15th.
President Pierce, Dec. 17th.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen (John Manners & Co., Agents).
Malaya, Dec. 14th.

Siam, Dec. 15th.
Panama, Dec. 23rd.
Danmark, Dec. 31st.

Java, January 20th.
Australien, February 11th.
Eastern and Australian Lines.

Arafura, January 7th.
Tanda, February 4th.
Glan Line.

Glenbeg, Dec. 12th.
Carmanthenhire, Dec. 15th.
Glenashane, Dec. 31st.

Glenagly, January 7th.
Cardiganhire, January 21st.
Glenamoy, Feb. 11th.

"Hamburg-America Line.
Oldenburg, December 14th.
Sachsen, Dec. 16th.

Saarland, Dec. 21st.
Emil Kirdorf, Jan. 7th.
Havelland, Jan. 20th.

Lauenburg, Feb. 1st.
Lauenburg, Feb. 14th.
Java-China-Japan Line.

Tjikarang, Dec. 10th.
Tjikmanok, December 14th.
Tjikrhoei, December 17th.

Tjikondari, December 19th.
Tjikoreu, Dec. 24th.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

NOTIFICATION TO MARINERS.

(BY LONGSHOREMAN.)

A notification received from the military authorities with regard to searchlight practice states that practice will be carried out on the undermentioned dates:—

Belchers: 11th December, 15th December, 8th January, 16th January.

Lyceum: 10th and 20th January.
Examination of Masters and Mates.

Another notification from the Harbour Department states that "During the period December 24th, 1928 to January 3th, 1929 no examinations for Masters and Mates for Certificates of Competency in the Merchant Marine will be held.

Anchoring in Cable Area.
Two masters of fishing junks were before the Marine Magistrate at the Harbour Office yesterday morning for anchoring within the cable area at Aberdeen. One of the defendants was found guilty and fined \$10 with the alternative of 10 days' hard labour.

The other defendant was remanded until this morning on application of the Police who stated that they wished to ascertain if there had been any damage to the water-pipe on the sea bed, as it is feared that the anchor from the defendant's boat fouled the pipe.

The s.s. *Empress of Russia* which arrived from Vancouver and Shanghai reports that a Chinese steerage passenger died during the voyage on November 28th from tuberculosis. A report from the s.s. *Mantua* from London and Singapore states that several cases of measles were experienced during the voyage.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.
Seven vessels brought 2,254 Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.

Message to Maritimes.
Athos II., December 18th.
Porthea, December 18th.

Glenconceus, January 1st.
D'Arignani, January 1st.
Sphina, January 15th.

General Metinger, Jan. 20th.
Paul Leat, February 12th.
Andre Lebon, Feb. 20th.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Wakasa Maru, to-day.
Hengul Maru, to-day.

Ceylon Maru, to-morrow.
Kashima Maru, to-morrow.
Amoy Maru, Dec. 12th.

Muroran Maru, Dec. 13th.
Ginjo Maru, Dec. 13th.
Kamo Maru, Dec. 14th.

Morioka Maru, Dec. 15th.
Hakodate Maru, Dec. 17th.
Bingo Maru, Dec. 18th.

Delagoa Maru, Dec. 18th.
Yagawa Maru, Dec. 18th.
Sado Maru, Dec. 18th.

Aki Maru, Dec. 20th.
Dakar Maru, Dec. 21st.
Hakone Maru, Dec. 23rd.

Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen.
Franken, December 11th.
Bernscheld, Dec. 12th.

Polda, Dec. 18th.
Main, Dec. 22nd.
Frier, Jan. 13th.

Lahn, January 30th.

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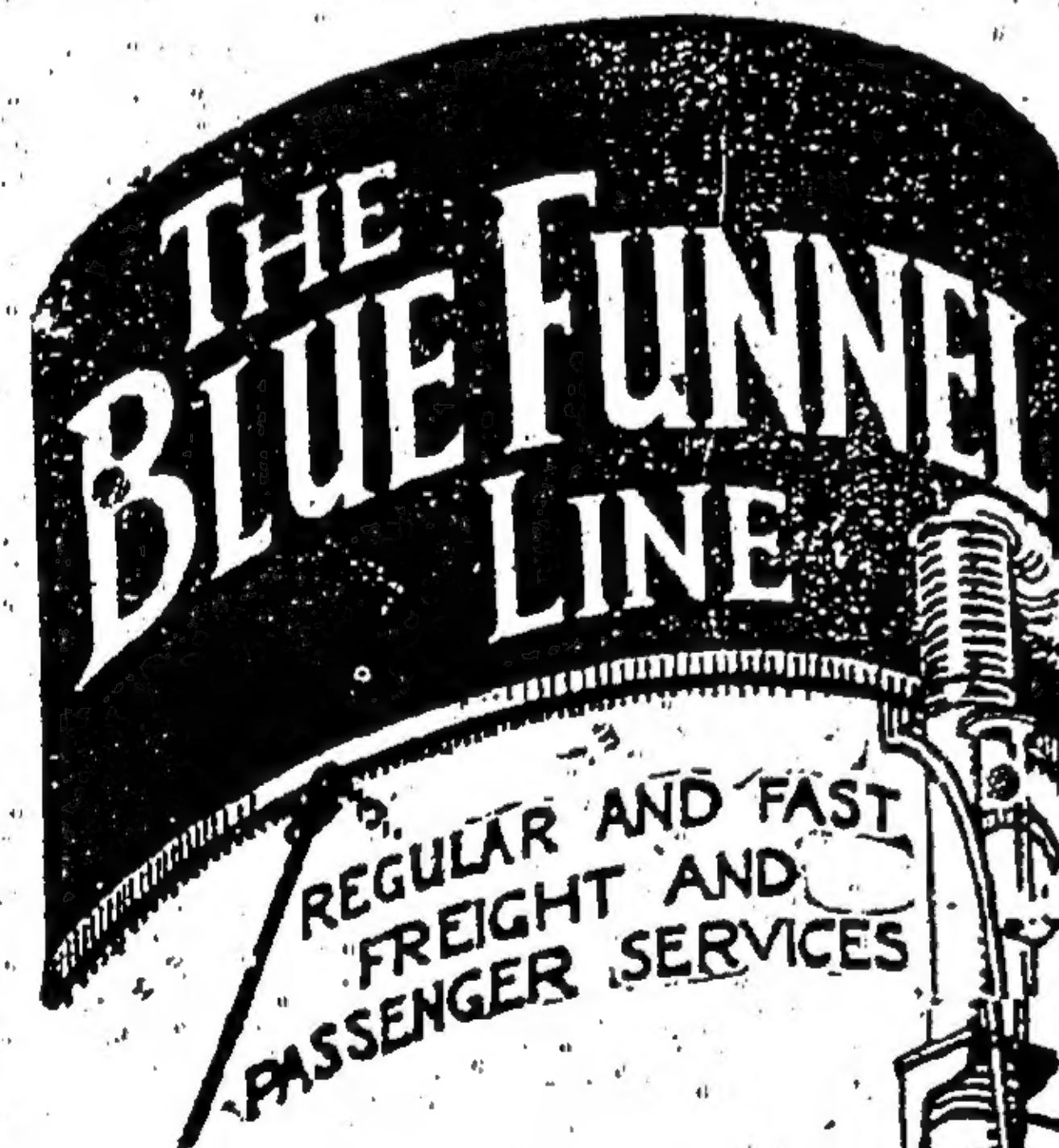
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| STRAITS | Taiwan | 12th Dec. |
| JAPAN | Chigo Maru | 13th Dec. |
| JAPAN & SHANGHAI | Kama Maru | 14th Dec. |
| U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI | Pres. Monroe | 15th Dec. |
| STRAITS & LONDON parcels mail | Andes | 15th Dec. |
| (London, 8th Nov.) | | |
| U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI | Pres. Pierce | 17th Dec. |
| STRAITS | Pres. Madison | 17th Dec. |
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| For | Per | Date & Time |
|--|-----------------|--|
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 4th Jan., 1929 | Malacca | Saturday, 8th, 9.00 A.M. Letters 10.00 A.M. G.P.O. |
| Straits and Calcutta | Yuenyang | Reg. 9.45 A.M. Letters 10.30 A.M. Parcels Noon |
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| Bangkok via Swatow | Kaipan | Sunday, 9th, 9.00 A.M. |
| Swatow, Amoy & Formosa | Canton Maru | Reg. 9.00 A.M. Letters 10.30 A.M. Parcels 1.00 P.M. |
| Shanghai & Japan | Kashima Maru | Monday, 10th, 10.30 A.M. |
| Ceylon, India, Mauritius & E. & S. Africa via Singapore | Andes Maru | Reg. 9.45 A.M. Letters 10.30 A.M. Parcels 1.00 P.M. |
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 Hong Kong, 28th Nov., 1928. [35]

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O. STEENSTRA, Manager. Hong Kong, 30th Aug., 1928. [34]

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H. MORI, Manager. Hong Kong, 11th Sept., 1923. [36]

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 A. E. FERGUSON, Manager. Hong Kong, 16th Mar., 1923. [30]

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L. BERNIS, Manager. Hong Kong, 6th Aug., 1923.

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C. L. C. SANDES, Manager. 7, Queen's Road Central. Hong Kong, 1st Sept., 1923. [29]

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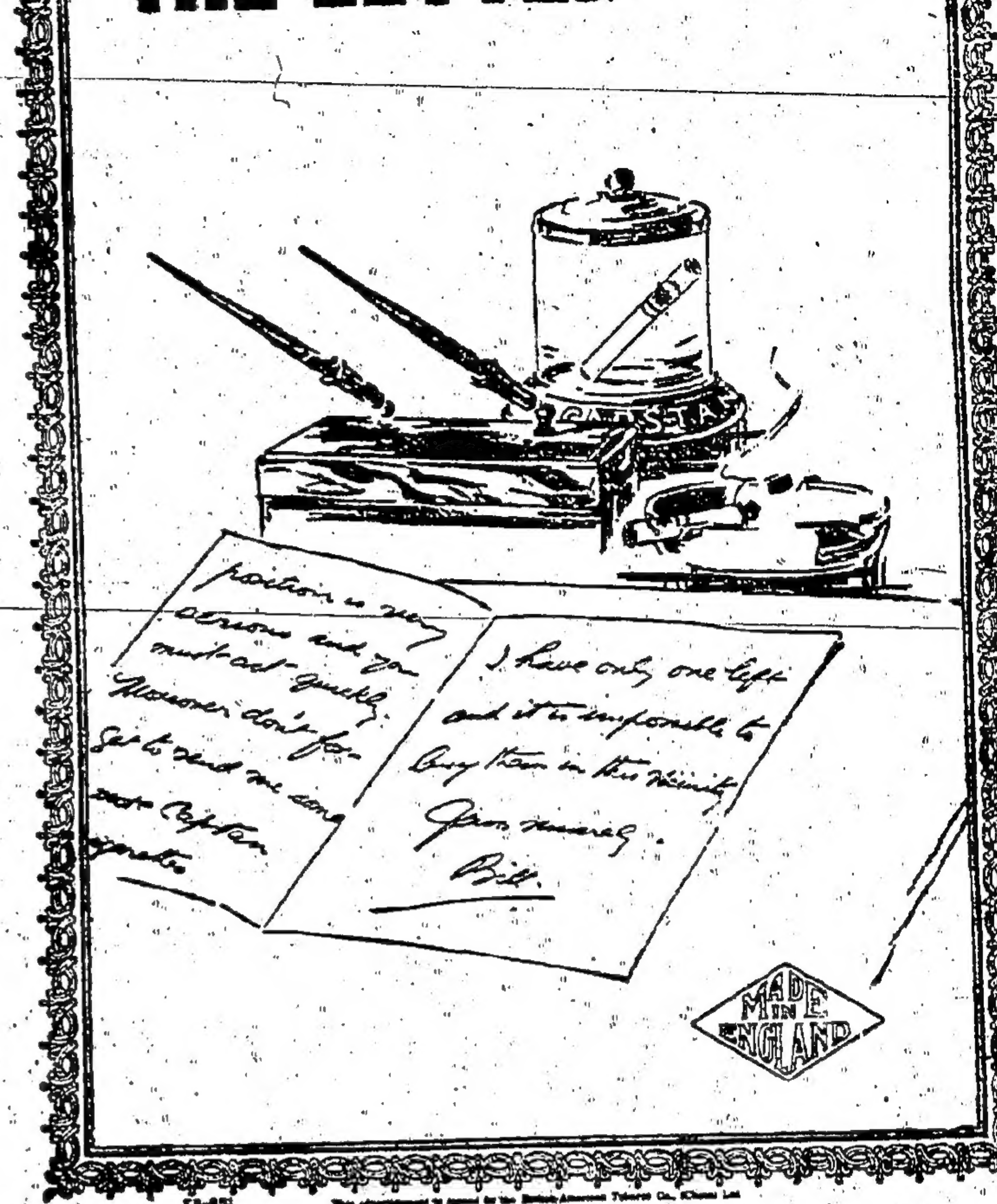
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SHOU J. CHEN, Manager. Hong Kong, 26th June, 1927. [38-39]

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A. LECOT, Manager. Hong Kong, 29th November, 1923. [32]

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